AUCTION SALES.
By WM. A. BUTTERS & CO.
Auction Sale
OF
VALUABLE PROPERTY
On Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 11 o'clock,
By WM. A. BUTTERS & CO., at No. 55 South Canal-st.,
On Wabash-av.
(corner of Fifty-sixth-st.
231 Feet Northwest Corner.
231 Feet Northeast Corner.
Lot 16 in Moody's Subdivision, 231 feet on South Park Boulevard, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth-sts.
Lots 1, 4, 5, 8, and 9, Block 15, 231 feet on Lexington-av.,
EGANDALE.
Between Elm (55th) and Walnut (56th) Sts.
Lots 34 and 35, Block 2, in Blair's Subdivision, in Sec. 25, Town 40.
Title perfect. Terms made known at the sale.
WM. A. BUTTERS & CO., Auctioneers.
IMPORTANT SALE OF
DRY GOODS, BOOTS & SHOES,
Clothing, Piece Goods, Woolens, Cassimeres, Satinets,
WOOL SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, HOSIERY, NOTIONS, &c.
On WEDNESDAY MORNING, Nov. 20, at 9 o'clock, at our Storerooms, 55 and 57 Market-st. These goods are advanced upon and the orders are to close.
ELLSON & FOSTER, Auctioneers.
Grand Auction Sale
OF
264 RESIDENCE LOTS
IN
HYDE PARK
FRONTING ON
South Park, Colfax, Vincennes, Forrest, Charles, McClellan, Langley, Evans, and Cottage Grove-avs., bet. Sixty-first and Sixty-sixth-sts.,
On Thursday Morning, Nov. 21,
AT 11 O'CLOCK,
By Wm. A. Butters & Co.,
AT
55 & 57 SOUTH CANAL-ST.
These Lots are finely situated between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth-sts., south of the Great South Park, and accessible by DUMMY TRAINS to and from the city every day, and only two blocks each way from the lots.
Fine houses already built and others going up. The streets finely graded; ground high and dry, and in every respect FIRST-CLASS PROPERTY.
Sale absolutely without reserve.
Terms—Only $50 cash, $50 in six months, $50 in one year, $50 in two years; the balance in three years, with interest at 8 per cent.
Contracts to date on day of sale.
Title unquestionable. Plats are now ready.
For other particulars see JACOB WENDELL & CO., 131 LaSalle-st., or
WM. A. BUTTERS & CO., Auctioneers.
By ELISON & FOSTER.
The Largest Sale of the Season.
This Wednesday Morning, 10 o'clock,
THE CONTENTS OF
Three Large Residences.
Besides a large lot of unclaimed goods that will be sold at Auction, at 68 West Lake-st., next to St. Nicholas Hotel, above Dearborn-st., where we have a rare chance for bargains. Sale commences at 10 a. m.
ELISON & FOSTER, Auctioneers.
For Sale this day, valuable property
AT AUCTION,
At our Salesroom, 157 Dearborn-st.,
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20, at 7 p. m.,
splendid corner property at
WOODLAWN STATION,
Consisting of Lots 38, 41 and 42, being 75 feet on Sixty-fourth-st., and 150 feet on Grade-av., two minutes' walk from the station.
THEY MUST BE SOLD!
Terms 1-2 cash, bal. 1 year with 8 per cent interest. Also, Lot on State-st., being Sixty-first, if not sold previously, and Lot on Michigan-st., near Dearborn.
We have a list of choice property CLOSED OUT, situate in all parts of the city and suburbs, and invite the attention of parties desiring to invest.
T. B. FITCH & CO.,
157 Dearborn-st.
ELISON & FOSTER, Auctioneers.
By GEO. P. GORE & CO.,
22, 24 and 26 East Randolph-st.
GREAT AUCTION SALE
On Wednesday, Nov. 20, commencing at 9:30 o'clock,
The entire stock of the Cincinnati Branch of the Boston house, consisting of
FINE BOOTS AND SHOES,
will be closed peremptorily, to meet liabilities on the Boston firm.
A STOCK OF HEAVY GOODS
will be sold at the same time.
Retailers of fine goods have never had such inducements to stock up.
GEORGE P. GORE & CO.,
Auctioneers, 22, 24, and 26 E. Randolph-st.
AT AUCTION,
On Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 11 o'clock, on the premises, Kingsley Restaurant Building, on Michigan-av., between Washington and Madison-sts., including a large lot of fire relics. Lease until May 1.
G. P. GORE & CO., Auctioneers.
500 Army Overcoats,
500 Dress Coats,
500 Cavalry Jackets,
500 Cavalry Pants,
A large line of HATS and CAPS,
A line of CASSIMERES, NOTIONS, etc.,
AT AUCTION
On THURSDAY, NOV. 21, AT 9½ o'clock,
GEO. P. GORE & CO.,
22, 24, and 26 East Randolph-st.
10 cases Surgical Instruments,
500 volumes Standard Medical Works,
300 Rubber Horse Blankets,
50 cases Pure Port Wine—qts. and pts.,
AT AUCTION,
ON THURSDAY, NOV. 21, AT 11 o'clock,
GEO. P. GORE & CO.,
22, 24 and 26 East Randolph-st.
By J. H. PIKE & CO.,
At 235 S. Halsted-st., Friday, Nov. 22, at 9 o'clock,
The entire furniture and household effects of a family, consisting of Carpets, Furniture, Crockery, Glassware, Bedding, and Kitchen Goods.
J. H. PIKE & CO., Auctioneers.
Office, 88 Dearborn-st.

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INSURANCE.
INDEMNITY.
ORIENT
INSURANCE CO.,
OF HARTFORD.
Assets Nov. 1, 1872 - - - - - - - $651,000
CONNECTICUT
FIRE INS. CO.,
OF HARTFORD.
Assets Nov. 1, 1872 - - - - - - - $650,000
Eastern
INSURANCE CO.,
OF BANGOR.
Assets Nov. 1, 1872 - - - - Over $400,000
LANCASHIRE
INSURANCE CO.,
OF MANCHESTER, ENGLAND.
Gross Assets - - - - - - - - $8,861,173.88
Total Liabilities, including Reinsurance Fund - - - - - - $1,421,921.53
Net Assets - - - - - - - - - $7,439,252.35
The above Companies have but small losses by the great Boston fire, and will, of course, pay all losses in full.
Parties desiring first-class indemnity will not fail to see the superior security offered through our agency.
R. W. HOSMER & CO.,
142 LaSalle-st.
ASSURANCE.
London Assurance Corporation
LONDON.
ESTABLISHED BY ROYAL CHARTER
FIRE
1720
Local Committee.
J. F. GIRAUD FOSTER, Of Foster & Thomson.
GORDON NORRIE, Of Boorman, Johnston & Co.
CHARLES M. FRY, No. 8 Wall-st.
HOWARD POTTER, Of Brown Bros. & Co.
GOOLD H. REDMOND, Of Dennistoun & Co.
Total Funds, Gold, - $13,234,425
Fire Assets, Gold, - - $5,064,000
GEO. C. CLARKE, Agent,
3 and 4 Bryan Block.
Insurance effected on Business Buildings, Merchandise, Provisions, Dwellings and their contents.
TREES.
LARGE FOREST TREES.
We are now prepared to transplant any quantity of Forest Trees, and warrant them to grow thriftily. For the character of our work we refer to the big trees planted by us in
Ashland-av. and in Lincoln Park.
Parties desiring trees transplanted during the coming winter will please hand in their orders early, so we can prepare the ground before the frost sets in
NELSON & BENSON,
129 & 131 LaSalle-st., basement of Boone's Block.
REMOVALS.
REMOVAL.
FASHIONABLE
FURNITURE!
W. W. STRONG FURNITURE CO.,
266 & 268 Wabash-av.
FURNITURE.
D. M. SWINEY & BRO.
MANUFACTURERS OF
FINE OFFICE FURNITURE,
Counters, Partitions, Rails,
Cylinder Desks, Etc.
FACTORY: 507 TO 513 KINZIE-ST., CORNER REUBEN CENTRAL BLOCK, Room 57.
GENERAL NOTICES.
STEAM HEATING.
Estimates furnished on application. General steam fitting.
HERON, SMITH & MOORES,
76 West Washington-st.
NEW PUBLICATIONS.
FATHER BURKE AND FROUDE.
See the IRISH WORLD for full reports of Father Burke's reply to Froude, the English historian.
BOSTON ILLUSTRATED.
The IRISH WORLD for this week contains a splendid bird's-eye view illustration of the city of Boston; also Brooklyn-st. on Fire; the Ruins of the Burnt District, &c.
MISCELLANEOUS.
Feather Dusters
At Culver, Page, Hoyne & Co.'s,
113 and 115 Monroe-st., Chicago.
SEGARS.
Lewis Moss, Importer of Havana Segars, has opened his New Store at 121 South Clark-st. Dealers and consumers will find the largest and best selected stock in the West. Prices as low as any other Importing House in the United States. Lewis Moss, 121 South Clark-st. Send for price list.
FINANCIAL.
LUNT, PRESTON & KEAN,
BANKERS.
SOUTH SIDE—157 LaSalle-st.
WEST SIDE—Corner Randolph and Halsted.
Receive Deposits; Discount Commercial Paper; Issue Certificates of Deposit; Furnish Letters of Credit and Commercial Credits; Transact Commercial Banking in all its branches.
A. O. Slaughter,
BANKER,
Corner Clark and Madison-sts. Buys and sells Stocks, Bonds, and Gold. Receives money on deposit and transacts a General Banking and Brokerage Business.
Republic Insurance Certificates
Bought and sold by
O. G. BRYANT,
Private Banker,
42 West Madison-st., Room 1.
Loans Negotiated
On real estate, in the city or suburbs, at current rates.
G. S. HUBBARD, Jr.,
186 East Washington-st.
OVERCOATS.
OVERCOATS
In every grade for
MEN AND BOYS.
The largest stock in the city, all of our own manufacture.
EDWARDS, BLUETT & CO.,
45 and 47 West Madison-st.,
Under Sherman House, and
376 STATE STREET.
UNDERWEAR.
UNDERWEAR
AND
HOSIERY
Of every description. LOWEST PRICES.
EDWARDS, BLUETT & CO.,
45 and 47 West Madison-st.,
Under Sherman House.
376 STATE STREET.
ROOFING MATERIAL.
ROOFING MATERIALS
AND
Building Felt.
Send for Circular and Samples.
BARRETT, ARNOLD & KIMBALL,
230 Monroe-st., Chicago.
TO RENT.
OFFICES IN THE
Tribune Building
Are nearly finished. Several are yet untaken. Fire-proof, with vaults. English tile floors throughout. No offices in the city equal these in every first-class respect. Plans of the Tribune Building can be seen at the office of
W. C. DOW,
Room No. 1, Nevada Block.
FOR SALE.
SAFE FOR SALE.
A first-class Safe, of large size, as good as new, will be sold cheap if applied for soon. Apply at the office of the Secretary of the Board of Trade.
FOR SALE.
A small job printing office, with power, quarto-medium Globe press, and eighth-medium Gordon press; a fine assortment of type. Presses and type nearly new. A good investment for a practical printer. Will be sold cheap. Inquire at MARDER, LUSE & CO.'s Chicago Type Foundry, 139 and 141 Monroe-st., Chicago.
FLOUR.
Choice brands white winter and spring flour, for sale by
LYON & [illegible],
Commission Merchants,
183 South Water-st.
BUSINESS CARDS.
WELLINGTON BROS. & CO.
Were uninjured by the fire, and are doing business as usual at 66 Chauncy-st., corner of Bedford, Boston.
MEETINGS.
Masonic.
Regular communication of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 311, A. F. & A. M., this Thursday evening, Nov. 21, 1872, at the Masonic Temple, corner Halsted-st. and Randolph-sts. Members will please take notice and attend, as business of importance will be before the lodge.
E. F. DE LONG, Sec.

WASHINGTON.

The Proposed New Internal Revenue Law.

Reduction of Revenue Officials, and Consolidation of the Department.

Our Relations with Mexico of the Most Cordial Character.

A Brace of Murderers to Be Hanged.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PROPOSED INTERNAL REVENUE LAW.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—The following bill, drawn by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, will be submitted to the Congressional Committees of Ways and Means, and of Finance, at their first sitting, at the approaching session. It is one of the most important pieces of legislation that will be recommended, and will cause a greater interest in every portion of the country than any that will be suggested. The object, as will be seen, is to abolish, at an early date, the offices of Assessor and Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue, and have the business of those officers performed in the Revenue Bureau by clerks. It is held that the office of Assessor is no longer necessary; that the little business remaining may be done by Collectors, Supervisors, and resident officers. The bill as given below meets the approval of the President, who has given it much attention, and also of Secretary Boutwell, and the leading Supervisors throughout the country. Both the President, in his message, and Boutwell in his annual report to Congress, will urge the passage of a similar measure. There are now 230 Assessors in commission, whose salaries average $5,000 each per year, making in salaries of assessors alone, $1,150,000. There are 1,300 Assistant Assessors who make four dollars per day each, or $1,950,000 per year of 100 working days. The following are the main features of the bill:

Be it enacted &c., That on and after the ——— day of 1873, the offices of Assessor and Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue shall cease to exist, and that thereafter all duties imposed by law on Assessors and Assistant Assessors, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, be and the same are hereby transferred to, and imposed on, Collectors of Internal Revenue, to be performed by themselves or by their deputies; and that all returns and reports required by law to be made to the said Assessors and Assistant Assessors shall be made to the said Collectors or to their deputies; and that each of said Assessors shall transfer to such revenue officer as may be designated by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for that purpose, all books, papers, and other property belonging to the Government in his possession, or in that of any Assistant Assessors, and shall file with his final account an inventory thereof in detail, with the receipt of said revenue officer therefor; *provided* that the Commissioner of Internal Revenue is hereby authorized and required to make the inquiry, determination, and assessments of the following taxes, to-wit: For deficiencies imposed by the provisions of Section 20 of an Act imposing taxes on distilled spirits and tobacco, and for other purposes, approved July 20, 1868, as amended by a subsequent act, semi-annually; on the deposits, capital, and circulation of each person, bank association, company, or corporation engaged in the business of banking, imposed by the provisions of Section 110 of an Act to provide Internal Revenue to support the Government and to pay interest on the public debt, and for other purposes approved June 30, 1864, as amended by subsequent acts; penalties and forfeits imposed by the first proviso of Section 14 of an Act to amend existing laws relating to internal revenue, and for other purposes, approved March 2, 1864; upon tobacco, snuff, and cigars, imposed by Section 2 of an Act imposing taxes on distilled spirits, tobacco, and for other purposes, approved June 6, 1872; *provided, further*, that the said Commissioner shall certify such assessments, when made, to the proper Collectors, respectively, who shall proceed to collect taxes so certified in the same manner as assessments on lists are now collected.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, that all special taxes imposed by law, including the tax on stills or worms, shall be paid by stamps denoting the tax. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is hereby authorized and required to procure appropriate stamps for the payment of such taxes; and the provisions of Sections 26 and 101 of an act imposing taxes on distilled spirits and tobacco, and for other purposes, approved July 20, 1868, and all other provisions of law relating to the preparation of stamps for distilled spirits, fermented liquors, tobacco, and cigars, so far as applicable, are hereby extended so as to include such stamps; and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall have authority to make all needful rules and regulations relative thereto, *provided* that every person engaged in any business, avocation or employment, who is thereby liable to special tax, except to tobacco peddlers, shall place and keep conspicuously in his establishment or place of business, all stamps denoting the payment of said special tax; and any person who shall violate this provision of law, by negligence, or refusal, or otherwise, shall pay a penalty of one hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That Section 110 of an act to provide internal revenue to support the Government, to pay interest on the public debt, and for other purposes, approved June 30, 1864, as subsequently amended, that the returns therein required to be made shall be made and rendered semi-annually, on the 1st day of December and the 1st day of June, in duplicate, to the Collector of the proper district respectively, one copy of which shall be forwarded by the Collector to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the Act entitled an Act imposing taxes on distilled spirits and tobacco, and for other purposes, approved July 20, 1868, as amended by subsequent acts, be further amended as follows, to wit: That Section 5 be amended so that the duplicate statement of the "Form 17" shall be returned by the Assistant Assessor of the district shall be hereafter transmitted by the Collector to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue; that Section 19 be amended so that one of the duplicate returns therein required to be sent by the Assistant Assessor of the district shall be hereafter transmitted by the Collector to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue; that Section 28 be so amended that all of the additional commission of one-half of 1 per cent on the amounts on the tax on distilled spirits therein allowed shall hereafter be paid to the Collector receiving the tax; that Section 50 be so amended as to authorize the appointment of fifty Revenue Agents; that Section 50 be so amended that in case any dealer refuses to exhibit a proper certificate from [illegible] of his district, and fails to show cause why the property seized shall not be forfeited; proceedings for its forfeiture shall be taken and had under the general provisions of the Internal Revenue laws, relating to forfeitures; that Section 103 be so amended that its provisions are extended and made applicable to the provisions of this act.

APPOINTED.

The President made his words good to-day on the subject of the Philadelphia Postmastership, by appointing George W. Fairman, the candidate of the citizens and business men of Philadelphia, instead of Truman, the candidate of Cameron, Hartranft, and the "ring." The name will be sent to the Senate on the first day of the session.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Dent, the father of Mrs. Grant, is confined to his room, at the White House, with serious illness. He is 87 years old, and it is feared he will not recover. He is unable to move about without assistance.

Secretary Belknap will return here from Iowa on Monday or Tuesday next, and it is probable that the new Major General to succeed General Meade will be appointed shortly afterward.

Senator Sherman arrived here to-day, and had an interview with the President.

THE CHICAGO-BOSTON RELIEF FUND.

The difficulties with regard to the unexpended balance of the Chicago relief fund yet due from this place, do not appear to be settled. Yet R. I. Merrick, as Chairman of the local committee for the disbursement of this fund, to-day addressed a short letter to Governor Cooke, demanding that the balance due of $25,000 be at once turned over to him for disbursement. The reply of the Governor will be forthcoming to-morrow. Mr. Merrick claims the disposition of this money under the terms of the Legislative act authorizing the sum to be raised. What the Governor will say in response to this demand may be inferred from an editorial on the subject, in one of the morning papers here, which most particularly represents his views and interests. This editorial sets forth that this balance of $25,000 has laid in the District Treasury for some months past uncalled for, and it was supposed by the District authorities that it would not be asked for, inasmuch as it had been published to the world that no more pecuniary aid was needed for Chicago, which statement was corroborated by the fact that the Masonic Relief Association of Chicago had, after a thorough examination, satisfied itself that the suffering people had been provided for, and had returned to the Grand Lodge of the District some $900 as its proportion of the money contributed by the Masons of the country, and which it was found was not needed in the burnt city. This article concludes as follows: "The authorities of the District did not and do not now recognize Mr. Merrick's authority to receive the money in question. The other portion of the appropriation has been disbursed by the order of the Mayor of Chicago, and, as stated in substance to the applicant named, the remainder will be placed to his credit whenever he makes application in the manner he has done heretofore. If the money is needed for Boston let the Mayor so signify, and it will be put to his order as quick as a warrant can be drawn. This much and nothing more. While on this subject a question arises, has this District authority to pay $25,000 to Chicago for the relief of Boston people, when the law making the appropriation distinctly says that it shall be applied exclusively to the relief of the suffering people of Chicago?"

THE STEAMBOAT LOBBY

promises the largest and most influential attendance in Congress this winter. There was a powerful clashing of interests when the Steamboat bill passed last winter, and the opposition to the present law will be resumed as soon as Congress fairly commences work. The Western steamboat interests are prepared to support the bill as it stands. The influence of the Secretary of the Treasury will continue to be, as it has always been, against the bill in its present shape.

DENIAL.

Senator Harlan's *Chronicle*, to-day, denies that there is to be any change in the President's Southern policy. The ground is taken that such action would amount to a confession that the policy of the President in the past towards this section was unjust and unfair.

To the Associated Press.

INDIAN APPROPRIATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The Committee on Appropriations at their meeting to-day took up the Indian Appropriation bill, and nearly completed action upon it.

INTERVIEWED.

The Hon. William G. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, had a long interview with the President to-day, during which the Philadelphia Postmastership was talked over freely.

TO BE HANGED.

Barney Woods, convicted of the murder of S. M. Cheeseman, of New York, will be hanged on the 25th inst., the Attorney General having decided against his application for a commutation of sentence. Charles Johnson, convicted of the murder of his wife, will be hanged on the 10th of December.

A motion for a new trial for Charles H. O. Brien, a policeman recently convicted, is now pending. Should the motion be denied, he will also be hanged.

OUR RELATIONS WITH MEXICO.

Our Minister to Mexico, Nelson, had a long interview with President Grant, this afternoon, in relation to the condition of affairs in that country. He speaks in terms of praise of the new President of that Republic, and particularly of his intelligence and desire to preserve and strengthen the friendship now existing between his own country and the United States. There seems to be no obstacle in the way of concluding a new convention extending the time for disposing of the remaining claims before the United States and Mexican Commission, which by limitation will expire under the present Convention in February next.

It is stated that the Mexican President is anxious for such extension, and will appoint an Agent in good faith to carry out the design of the Commission, in the place of Guzman, by whose action the proceedings were for some weeks interrupted. The preliminary steps have already been taken for a new Convention.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

It is to-day given out, upon the authority of the Administration, that the interview of the Pennsylvania politicians with the President, relative to the Philadelphia Post Office, was of the most pleasant character, and that the delegation only asked that if the Civil Service rules were to be disregarded, Truman might be appointed. To this the President replied that he intended to be governed by the Civil Service rules in all future appointments. The President is firm in this position. Certain politicians who have determined to attack the Civil Service machinery in Congress, have used this interview as the basis of an extravagant sensationalism.

WESTERN MARINE HOSPITALS.

Dr. Woodworth, of the Treasury Department, starts to-day upon an inspection tour of the Western United States Marine Hospitals.

CANDIDATES.

Judge Richardson, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, is named as a candidate for Boutwell's place.

Mr. Maynard, of Tennessee, is a new candidate for the Speakership. He has the support of Brownlow.

Tisdale, Fenton's Secretary, is a candidate for the Marshalship of the Supreme Court, *vice* Parsons, elected to Congress from the Cleveland district.

THE MESSAGE.

The President being engaged on his message, will receive but few visitors before the meeting of Congress.

PERSONAL.

Mr. George S. Bangs, Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, has arrived here from Chicago, with his family.

CINCINNATI.

The National Commercial Convention —Baptist Sunday School Convention —Ohio River Improvement.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 20.—The St. Louis Committee of Arrangements for the National Commercial Convention have just notified Hon. N. R. Bishop, President of the Convention which was held in Baltimore last year, that they have changed the time of holding the next Convention from the third Monday in November, as appointed by the last convention, and called the convention to meet at St. Louis, on Wednesday, Dec. 11. In pursuance of this notice, Mr. Bishop has issued a call on all bodies entitled to representation to appoint their delegates.

The National Baptist Sunday School Convention and Institute met in this city to-day, and organized by electing Rev. Dr. J. L. M. Curry, of Virginia, President; Vice Presidents, H. Thane Miller, of Cincinnati, and Clement Leach, of Illinois; Secretaries, George M. Vanderlip, of New York, and G. Syrock, of the District of Columbia.

Committees have been appointed on resolutions, [illegible] have not yet reported.

The Chamber of Commerce to-day took action adverse to the city contributing a million and a quarter in bonds for the proposed Chesapeake and Cincinnati Railroads.

The Ohio River Improvement Commission met this morning. A voluminous paper on the plan of improving the river was read by Captain James E. Worral, civil engineer, of Harrisburg, Pa. This afternoon a proposition to invite the States bordering on the Mississippi River to send delegates met favor in the discussion, and was referred to a committee for further action.

THE WEATHER.

War Department Prognostications—Reports from Various Points.

WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, DIVISION OF TELEGRAMS AND REPORTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMERCE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—Probabilities—On the lower lakes and thence over the Middle and New England States, clearing cold weather, and south-westerly to northwesterly winds. In the Gulf and South Atlantic States, high barometers, generally clear weather, and winds veering to the northwesterly. In the Northwest, southeasterly to southwesterly winds, cloudy weather, and falling barometers, extending to-morrow to the lower Ohio Valley and to the Upper Lakes, with snow.

AURORA, Ill., Nov. 20.—Winter has fairly set in. The ice on the river, above the dam in Aurora, has been strong enough to bear people, who have crossed over it for the past three days. Frost extends in the ground hereabouts about ten inches.

DUBUQUE, Nov. 20.—The weather continues extremely cold, the mercury ranging below zero. Travel on the St. Paul & Sioux City Railroad is still obstructed for a distance of 100 miles.

CLINTON, Iowa, Nov. 20.—The weather is intensely cold.

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 20.—The Mississippi River is reported frozen over at and above Prairie du Chien, and near LaCrosse. The weather is very cold here.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 20.—Fourteen inches of snow fell here to-day.

The Poultry Disease.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 20.—Further reports have been received to-day confirming the previous report of the disease among the poultry.

SNOWED UP.

Fears Entertained of a Terrible Calamity in Minnesota.

Eight Hundred Track-Layers Snowed Up on the Winona & St. Peter Railroad.

Their Supply of Provisions Limited, and Communication Cut Off.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 20.—Gloomy news may be anticipated from Minnesota. The track-layers on the extension of the Winona & St. Peter Railroad were approaching the western State line at the rate of two miles daily when the terrible storm of last Thursday night enveloped them and cut them off from communication with the civilized world. The working force numbers over 800 men; and, so sanguine were the expectations that the favorable weather would outlast November, that no preparation was made to avert the calamity which, it is feard, has befallen them. Only a limited supply of provisions was kept in store; for, although 100 miles distant from the telegraph, construction trains maintained regular communication with Sleepy Eye, the nearest white settlement. When intelligence of the storm reached Winona, Mr. J. H. Stewart, the General Superintendent, started out with two locomotives and a train of cars; but, so heavy and deep were the snowdrifts, and so intense the cold, that, up to Saturday morning, they had not passed New Ulm. There two additional locomotives were attached to the train. Then, taking on board rations for thirty days, and 150 men, besides materials with which to fit up boarding accommodations in the cars for the storm-beseiged party, the train was again started. Slowly a passage way was forced through drifts eight and ten feet deep, and, even where the snow did not exceed one foot in depth, so hard was it packed that recourse was had to shovels before an advance could be made. On Sunday the train had penetrated 25 miles. Meantime the storm raged with a violence unprecedented, and, when last heard from, on Tuesday night, the relief train was stuck fast in the ever-accumulating snow, 40 miles west of Sleepy Eye, and 80 miles short of the suffering track-men. Yesterday morning the telegraph wires were down west of St. Peter; and latest reports from Winona, in the afternoon, state that the wind had increased into a furious gale. For six days the storm has continued with unabated fury. The painful impression created is, that the men at the end of the track will actually starve before relief can reach them. No supplies are known to be accessible, for, in order to secure a valuable land grant, the line is being constructed by the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company, in advance of the Government surveys, far into a country inhabited only by a few adventurous squatters and sickly Indians. The men have with them a large number of horses and mules; and, if compelled by the necessity whose only law is self-preservation, they may be forced to the same famishing straits as were Napoleon's decimated army in the retreat from Russia.

WALL STREET

Review of the Money, Bond, Stock, Gold, and Produce Markets.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—In the money market to-day a marked change occurred. During the morning money was very stringent, and advanced per cent *per diem* for call loans, but after the announcement was made that the Treasury had accepted $2,000,000 bonds offered, and would pay for the same in legal tender notes, there was an easier feeling, and call loans declined to 7 per cent gold. Afterwards the market hardened again, and some business was done at 1-32 *per diem*, but towards the close of bank hours, rates were 5 to 7 per cent. The discount market continues close. The minimum rate for prime paper is 12 per cent.

The *Express* says this evening, "The 1,800 National Banks begin to be a little restive as to the purpose of Secretary Boutwell to force an exchange of their securities. The banks insist upon a reduction of tax on circulation and deposits, which tax supports the Bureau of the Comptroller of the Currency, and rolls up a surplus of about $17,000,000. There is some talk at the Treasury of increasing the deposits of security for banking to 100 per cent instead of 90, and requiring an elastic specie reserve, small at first, but gradually increasing when banking business rests on a specie basis. The circulating notes to be issued are to be legal tenders and the bank notes to be called in. This scheme is to bring about specie payments by gradually locking up a large portion of gold, and distributing the notes in a way that the banks will lose their identity, so far as their currency is concerned, and the United States become the redeeming agency."

The report that Thiers had resigned and MacMahon had been appointed President of the French Republic was much discussed among the foreign bankers. The report at one time had a slight influence on gold and foreign exchanges.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

was firmer, with an improved demand and a decreased supply of bills.

GOLD

opened weak, and declined to 113¼, but afterwards advanced to 113¾, and finally reacted to 113¼.

STOCKS.

The stock market was more active, and advanced with some excitement in Northwestern, Pacific Mail, and Erie. The market closed firm.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

were dull and heavy.

PRODUCE.

Flour opened steady, but quiet. The demand for shipping brands is limited for present delivery, but good for next month. Family grades were dull and heavy. At the close, the market was irregular; shipping brands steady, and family active; medium extras heavy and irregular. In wheat, there was little doing; higher prices for spring checked the shipping and milling demand. Choice white winter is much wanted. The market closes steady and fairly active, the demand chiefly for export. Winter is held with much confidence. Pork was weak; mess nominal in a wholesale way. Cut meats generally quiet. Sales 250 very light pickled hams at 12½c. Bacon moderately active; long clear quoted at 8¼c on spot; sales 100 boxes city short clear for December at 8½c; 25 boxes short clear on spot at 9c. Lard steady.

The Horse Disease.

JANESVILLE, Wis., Nov. 20.—The epizootic has at last made its appearance here, and all the livery stables have suspended business.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BELOIT, Wis., Nov. 20.—There must be nearly or quite 100 horses sick here to-day. The livery stables are closed. There are few severe cases.

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MADISON, Wis., Nov. 20.—No well authenticated case of epizootic has yet appeared here. Some horse reported sick with it proves to have something else the matter. It is all around us, however.

AURORA, Ill., Nov. 20.—The epizootic is in full blast in Aurora and vicinity, nearly all the horses having retired from use and gone into bean-mashes. The express matter is conveyed from the office in Aurora to the depot in a wheelbarrow, and strangers' baggage at the hotels is principally delivered in the same manner. One enterprising milkman has come down to a handcart in delivering his milk, and is accompanied about the city by his wife and two small boys. A perceptible rise is already shown in wood and other articles brought from the country, and the prospects are that very serious pecuniary loss will be experienced before the disease abates.

LASALLE, Ill., Nov. 20.—The horse distemper has spread to such an extent that there are now but few horses in the city that have escaped the contagion, and all branches of business are suffering in consequence. The price of team work has advanced 100 per cent within the last few days, and is likely to advance still further. Elliot & Co., brewers, are using oxen for the delivery of their beer, and it seems not improbable that the demand for oxen, to take the place of horses, will become quite general; but, as the number of working cattle in LaSalle County is extremely limited, and farmers' horses are suffering equally with others, the question how to supply such a demand becomes a perplexing one.

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ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 20.—The epizootic is not spreading, and street-cars resumed their trips to-day. Snow is falling to-night, and the dampness may cause an increase of the malady.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 20.—The epizootic to-day shows quite favorable signs of abatement, although a large number of severe, and in some instances fatal, cases are reported. Five deaths are reported to-day, one of the number being valued at $1,500. The majority of the horses first attacked are reported recovering slowly. Quite a number of horses appeared on the streets to-day. One or two omnibuses commenced the regular transfer of passengers to and from the trains. The hackmen have obtained a number of teams from the country not yet attacked by the disease, and resumed business, charging only ordinary prices. Large numbers of oxen are offered for sale daily, and the city is already overstocked. One yoke sold to-day as low as $45. Up to yesterday prices reached $150 to $200 a yoke.

ROCK ISLAND, Nov. 20.—The epizootic is extending very slowly. A livery stable in Moline has been attacked by it.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 20.—The horse disease is on the decline, though as yet the street-cars run only occasionally.

NEW YORK.

Comments of the Press on the Frequency of Murder—Summary Justice Advocated—Illness of Horace Greeley —Father Burke on Froude—Water Works—Aid for the Danes—The Roumanians—O'Neill's Funeral—Carriage Builders' Association—No Chicken Disease in New York—Arrival of Stanley—Breach of Promise.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The apparent impossibility of punishing any murderer by legal process in New York is a text treated in all the journals, and a peremptory demand is made for reform. It is probable that the murderer King would have been lynched by an excited crowd in the street the day before yesterday if the police had not evaded them.

The *Post* says: "We are not sure that a few doses of lamp-post justice, administered by indignant citizens, would not have had a good effect during decade through which we have just passed."

Even the *Tribune* goes in for hemp, remarking: "While hanging is the penalty for murder, murderers should be hung. Nobody near social not avenged at all. We nearly thirty murderers disorganizations, some have been locked up for nearly two years. Many witnesses have been bribed to leave the city. The slip-shod method of prosecution was exemplified to-day in the trial of the Frenchman, Andre, for killing his alleged unfaithful wife. The prosecutor asked for an adjournment, because a certain woman has left the city, and there appears to be a difficulty in finding anybody else to prove that the person killed was Mrs. Andre. Two of the most hardened assassins in the "Tombs," Foster and Murphy, were sentenced to death, but have been granted new trials. In the cases of Stokes and Heggi, the alleged poisoner, the juries disagreed. The others have not been tried, but, relying on the insanity dodge, are ready for the farce."

The Society for the Suppression of Obscene Literature has nearly stamped out the publication of obscene books in the city, some of the dealers having been sentenced to the Penitentiary, and others removing their dens to adjacent States. The Society have turned their attention to pictures and druggists who sell merchandize regarded as immoral. Dr. Julian was arrested and brought before Commissioner Osborn to-day on the charge of depositing in the United States mail a circular advertising for sale objectionable rubber goods. Bail was first fixed at $5,000, but after argument reduced to $2,000, this being the first case of the kind brought before the Federal authorities. It is claimed by the prosecution that these circulars are obscene publications within the meaning of the statute.

The Assistant Aldermanic Committee on Railroads held a meeting this afternoon to hear new views of the public in regard to the resolution authorizing the use of steam dummies on city railroads. A large number of intelligent citizens were present, and the drift of opinion was strongly in favor of discarding horses for steam. Mr. Tyler said he represented a Steam Street Car Company, and described the working of the car. He said it ran smoothly and was more economical than a horse car; that steam could be utilized to heat the car, and the car could be stopped within a distance of six feet. The Committee has the subject under advisement.

[To the Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The *Tribune* says, this morning, of Mr. Greeley that he has been seriously unwell since his wife's death, from nervous prostration, resulting mainly from the severe strain upon his nervous system through a want of rest and sleep during the last month of her illness. Nothing but his remarkable strength of constitution has enabled him to give attention to his recent duties, but it may be safely trusted to restore him speedily to his usual vigorous health.

Every part of the Academy of Music was crowded last night to hear Father Burke on "Oliver Cromwell," in reply to Mr. Froude. He spoke two hours and a half.

Mr. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works, says it will take $8,500,000 to give the city an adequate supply of water, and he recommends an immediate appropriation of that amount.

War is making on the system of opening streets that has prevailed, whereby political favorites were made rich at the expense of property-owners and the city.

The funeral of Anthony F. O'Neill, who was shot by James C. King, on Monday, took place to-day from St. Stephen's Church. The wife and mother of the deceased and a few friends were present.

At a meeting of the Carriage Builders' National Association to-day, A. A. Wheeler, of Kentucky, and A. Woeber, of Iowa, were made Vice Presidents. A committee was appointed to report at the next meeting the propriety of having a uniform track of road wagons throughout the United States.

The Danish Consul in this city makes a public appeal for immediate aid for his countrymen who lost their property by the recent severe storms in Europe, and who are now in positive want.

Stanley arrived by the Cuba, and was escorted up the bay by a delegation from the Geographical societies and the *Herald* Club.

Seannel and King will be tried in December.

Dr. Nathan Newton has received a verdict of $7,000 from the Brooklyn City Railroad Company, for injuries received in falling from one of the open cars, his ground of suit being that the guard of the car was loose, and not properly attached.

Julius E. Jullan was held to bail in $2,000, for mailing obscene circulars to boarding-schools, and elsewhere.

Ex-Mayor Kalbfleisch, of Brooklyn, has filed his answer to the complaint of Mrs. Wade, in which she see

PERIODICAL LITERATURE.

Lippincott's for November.

The Quinine-Plant in Peru--Oriental Sports--Nurse and Patient.

Southern Virginia--Land-Owners in England--Anecdotes.

"Searching for the Quinine-Plant in Peru" is the first of a series of sketches the subject of which is indicated by their title. Don Juan Sanz, a prominent citizen of Cuzco, had been promised by the Government of Peru the exclusive privilege of commerce in the cinchona-trees in the eastern valleys, provided he discovered them, and had them written up in order to impress the world with a sense of Peruvian resources. As Senor Sanz says to Paul Marcoy, the Marco Polo of these cinchona-forests: "There must be an 'interviewer.' The fame of the cinchona-discovery must be worked up in the newspapers at Lima. The world must ring with those trees--as soon as we find them. Sentimental and humorous fever-stories in the feuilletons,--a series of botanical treatises, with the latitude and longitude of the *habitat*, in the official paper."

There are some fine illustrations of Peruvian scenes, and the style in which the paper is written is very lively, with, perhaps, too evident effort to be brilliant.

"Oriental Sports" is by Mrs. Fanny B. Feudge, who went to the East when barely 10 years old,--an age peculiarly observant of pastimes. Kite-flying is an amusement in which dignified judges, gray-haired grandfathers, and corpulent, well-to-do merchants engage.

Those kites are very wonders of skill and taste, of every conceivable form, size, and material. Sometimes they are of huge dimensions, composed of oiled silk of varied tints, and meant to represent castles, palaces, or cataracts, with their spires and turrets, their arched windows and vaulted domes, all lighted by tapers or miniature lamps, that ultimately set fire to the thin, combustible material, and reduce these "castles in the air" to ashes. So skillfully are these huge kites managed that a sort of aerial game is often played in which several take part. I remember one instance in which there were eight kites engaged, representing respectively a castle, a fair lady, her two attendants, and an angel. First, one of the demons, the largest and most gorgeously-dressed, passed before the door of the castle, whereupon the lady fled through the open roof, and was followed by her two demons. The two demons pursued, and the dragon seemed several times to meditate swallowing the flying damsel, but both he and the demons were presently thrown with violence to the earth by a knight, who suddenly appeared on the scene, and the affair ended in the lady and the angel floating away together till they were lost in the distance.

Oriental ears are very fond of dancing--so long as it is done by other people, and every nobleman has slaves trained in [illegible] feats. That people should find pleasure in doing their own dancing no Oriental imagination could conceive:

I remember a ball given by a British merchant at the capital of Siam in honor of the Queen's birthday, when several Siamese nobles were among the guests, and, in the early portion of the evening, vied with each other in complimenting their host on the brilliancy of his entertainment. Knowing him to be wealthy, convivial, and fond of display, they naturally expected something very fine in the way of dancing. Their expectations may be imagined when the Scotch bagpipes, played up by the only performer of the art to be found available, and the European members of the company went whirling and whizzing past as reel, jig, and Highland fling followed each other in rapid succession. Dumb with surprise and dismay, the nobles rushed *en masse* from the house, entered their boats, and ordered the carmen to pull furiously for the mission-houses, situated some two miles up the river. It was verging toward midnight, but some of the missionaries were still busy in their libraries, and the wearied nobles, first knocking furiously at the door, and then rushing without waiting for a response, called clamorously, "Help, help for your countrymen! The foreigners at the British godowns are all gone crazy; they are dancing for themselves!"

On one occasion Mrs. Feudge, while visiting the harem of the King of Siam, asked Mamm Ame, his favorite wife, "Does it not make you feel very unhappy to know that so many other wives share the love of your husband?" Very wide opened the diamond eyes, and the pencilled brows were lifted in sheer astonishment, as she answered my question by asking a brace of others: "Had your parents any other children besides yourself? If so, did you think they loved you less because others equally dear were born to them?" It seems that the inmates of the harem are not all considered wives. Only one has that title. She occupies a position resembling that of the wife and the mistress of a household in Christian countries. The others are considered simply as guests, and may at any time be sold. She, on the contrary, is wedded with solemn forms, and cannot be disposed of at the caprice of her lord. Her children are the heirs to his name and fortune, and she herself may share in the inheritance. Her sway over the harem is almost absolute, and such is the paradoxical extent of her prerogatives that she is even intrusted with the negotiation when an addition is to be made to the number of its inmates. It would not be surprising if a great revolution in the social institutions of Siam should take place under the young King who is next year to assume the reins of government in person, and who has already given strong evidence of his desire to introduce European manners and customs.

The writer held a high position in the confidence of the Siamese Court; and her descriptions of the athletic games, musical choruses, dramatic performances, juggling, deer-hunting, and gambling, which are some of the chief recreations of King and beggar, are spirited, and, no doubt, accurate.

"The Strange Adventures of a Phaeton"--which is one of the best fictions of the year--is concluded; as is, also, "Aimee's Story."

A little sermon is preached, under the title "Nursing Mothers," by Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, to his fellow-practitioners who do not, he thinks, feel how great a calamity in a healthy family is a case of grave illness, and who should be more thoughtful in averting some of its evils.

One of the first questions in case of serious illness is: "Who shall be nurse?

Only too often, some female member of the house prizes on the work, and devotes herself to it, excluding all outside help, and only too often going through it with a splendidly absurd and reckless disregard of common sense and of her own health. In any case, the strain upon her by degrees that strange feminine mood of sacrifice, and, conscious of her physical inability, but urged by this insanity of loving, will go through with it, by any means, or with, to quote an [illegible]. In a word, just as a doctor always feels it unwise to attend alone his own dear ones in grave illness, for the like but lesser reasons the best nurse is a stranger,--one who is naturally free from worry and irritations, who is unmoved by traditions of love, and who, setting simply and purely from sense of duty, takes care of his own health, which is essential to make her nursing perfect. Such an attendant is willing to take her share of sleep and fresh air, and so remain cool and tranquil under all circumstances and in all exigencies, making far more light the task of the doctor, and able, from experience of illness, to note changes and call for aid at needed times. Such help excludes from a sick room that host of little annoyances for doctor and patient which, I may call *fuss*.

Then follows a great deal of very sensible advice with regard to the treatment of chronic invalids, and of their nurses, who should be well taken care of, for their own sakes as well as for the sake of the patient.

"Her Story," by Harriett Prescott Spofford, is one of the best stories that have recently appeared in any American magazine. It is the story of a treacherous wife, driven to madness by the perfidy of her husband, tells an old friend who visits her in the asylum. It is written in Mrs. Spofford's own delicate but keen manner, and leaves a profound impression on the reader.

"A Day or Two in Southern Virginia" is a lively account of a jaunt by R. B. Elder, who found that the Virginians had not lost all their old habits:

Returning to the train, I took my seat by two young ladies, who looked dejected, methought.

"Just from the White Sulphur?"

"Oh, no--from Richmond."

"Why, the Judge told me he was going."

"So he did, but we parted from him in Richmond, and went to Mr. ----'s. We have had such a nice time--forty people there."

"Forty! Whew!"

I became indignant: "When will Virginians have done with this Mr. ----? Apart from being a man of great wealth and a Cabinet officer under Jeff. Davis, he got to selling goods on commission, but intat needs have forty people spending the summer at his house. This is Virginianism all over. It is nothing to me--I've no country seat, nor commutation-house either--but I am sick of it."

"Why, I went to the wedding. The hats at Israel Hill, in which Richard Randolph's emancipated slaves had been living for more than half a century, were worn with no one thereof. This did not look like prosperity. There was an obvious increase of cold beef-bones around Tuggle's Tank, which did not indicate prosperity either. But at the corner of Main there were immense piles of bark and sumac, which told of tanneries, and a bridal-party, gay as larks, and all well-dressed, got on board; which enlivened my internal Mr very much, until it was whispered, "Her bonnet cost $40 in Philadelphia."

"Um! Southside Virginianism again!" was the comment. "Here is a race of so-called human beings who are stunning and killing all of their oak trees to get something that will fetch money, and paying $40 for bonnets! Why you can buy forty acres of land not far from here for that money! By dads!"

"By dads" is my maddest expletive. When I have said that, I am no longer a man, and mine enemy may consider himself consumed.

There is an extraordinary tendency, Reginald Wynford says in "Land-Owners in England," on the part of Englishmen "to bequeath estates to those who have them. Moreover, of late years the entire extinction of families has often placed enormous properties in the hands of one person. Miss Bronte says in one of her novels that the fickleness of Fortune sometimes takes the turn of repeated strokes of luck in the same quarter. This would certainly seem to have been the trick which she has played the Dukedom of Buccleuch." The Duke has, in this way, become the chief landed proprietor in the United Kingdom. He has, besides his town-house, nine seats,--four in England, which came to him from the Duke of Montagu, and five in Scotland, of which one, Drumlanrig, a princely place, came from the Duke of Queensberry, while the rest are Buccleuch property."

But it is the commercial magnates who are becoming the great land-owners of the country:

Railways have had an immense influence upon the estates of Great Britain; they have made the rural districts much less agreeable to live in, by enabling people so easily and cheaply to have homes than thousands who never thought of visiting London more than ten times in their lives now take a house for the season, and come to the country to economize. This has induced those who can only afford one residence to choose a town-life, and numbers of persons with limited means have sold their few hundred acres and repaired to the Metropolis, whereby they have in many cases considerably improved their circumstances. There are almost always wealthy persons in an English neighborhood able and willing to add house to house and field to field, and to give handsome prices; and small people find their income much improved by putting into railway debentures or the Indian loan, at 4 to 5 per cent, money from which, whilst invested in land, they only derived from 2½ to 3 per cent. The sons of the merchant millionaires of George III.'s time are the first squires to-day. Lord Overstone, formerly Jones Lloyd, the London and Manchester banker, drives eighteen miles, from Northampton to Fotheringay Castle--the scene of Mary Queen of Scots' last hours, which now belong to him--through his own domains. This nobleman is reputed the wealthiest man, so far as an immediate command of money goes, in England, and is commonly reported to live on the interest of his interest. His only child is married but childless; and what will be the eventual destination of a property estimated at $70,000,000 is a subject of frequent conjecture. In the beautiful park where once was the home of the Guises, Sir Francis Goldsmid, another child of Israel, has reared a palace. The three sons of Mr. Brassey, the contractor, are all country gentleman, already with great estate, the youngest having lately purchased the ancestral property of the Talbots, Earls of Shrewsbury, which, with his little fortune of $18,000,000, he will probably add to on all sides.

In "Monthly Gossip," a story seventy years old, is revived:

Somewhat apropos of the recent action of Judge Allison in causing the hat to be removed from the head of a Quaker juror who had persisted, on grounds of conscience, in wearing it, we may recall a once famous dialogue, which, according to the Pennsylvania newspapers of sixty or seventy years ago (from a file of which we extract it), took place between Chief Justice McKean and an old woman who was giving testimony in a cause pending in the Pennsylvania Court:

Chief Justice--"Pull off your bonnet, madam--give us an opportunity of seeing your countenance."

Old Woman--"I will not, sir."

Chief Justice--"I desire you to pull off your bonnet."

Old Woman--"Sir, I am informed that in all public assemblies the woman ought to have her head covered, and of course I shall not take off my bonnet."

Chief Justice--"Why, you are a pretty woman indeed! I think you had better come take a seat upon the bench."

Old Woman--"I heartily thank you, sir, but really we are old women enough there already."

The Reporter--"Chief Justice Marshall it is hard to believe:

Turning aside one day to avoid the [illegible] of those awful maelstroms which abound in Virginia, of those awful ruts into which the buggy encounters a stony road. The sapling was between the hub of the wheel and the body of the buggy. Too big to bend down and too supple to break, this sapling seemed to the Judge to be wholly unconquerable. What to do he knew not. He got down out of the buggy the better to apply his great intellect to the knotty subject and to study it thoroughly up. While pondering calmly, a negro man came along.

"Uncle," said the Chief Justice, "I wish you would tell me about this sapling. I can't get over it, and I can't get around it, and I don't want to stay here all day and miss Court. What do you think I had better do?"

The negro could not repress a broad but silent grin. "Why, ole marster," said he, "I 'spec' de bes' thing you kin do is to back yo' buggy twill you git clar uv de sapling an' den go 'long 'bout yo' business."

Thank you--thank you kindly, uncle. I should never have thought of that in the world. You are a man of sense, I perceive. There's half a dollar for you." And the Judge drove joyfully off.

A WEB OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

The Mysterious Poisoning of the Rev. Dr. J. B. Smith--A Deadly Seidlitz Powder--A Clergyman's Wife and Daughter Passing Through a Terrible Ordeal.

Raleigh (Nov. 18) Correspondence of the New York Sun.

The community of Raleigh, and indeed of almost the entire State of North Carolina, have been greatly exercised for the past four or five weeks over the facts developed in the examination of a Coroner's jury into the causes which led to the death of the Rev. J. Brinton Smith, D. D., a prominent and influential clergyman of the Episcopal Church, and President of the St. Augustine College for the education of freedmen in this city. Dr. Smith came to this city some four years ago, for the purpose of engaging in the educational work to which all his talent and energies have been devoted during that period. He was a native of Delaware, and had preached successfully in New Jersey before removing to North Carolina. The College, it is needless to say, is rather the character of a Normal Institute than of a university proper, and has accomplished much good in the preparation of colored men for the teacher's profession.

Dr. Smith was a man of great energy and force of character, and his influence was felt not only among the people of his charge, but in the whole community, in which he was held in the most strongly devoted. The general testimony at the time of his death was that the City of Raleigh and the State of North Carolina had sustained an almost irretrievable loss. Though a Northern man by birth and education, he was received most cordially into society here, and being public spirited and enterprising, he interested himself at once in all measures to promote the immigration of a good class of Northern man to the State. It is said he was more successful in this than any other man in the State. In the absence of the Rev. Dr. Mason, of Christ Church, in the city, he was frequently called upon to officiate in that gentleman's pulpit, and did so to the entire acceptance of the church and people to whom he had endeared himself.

The school, of which he was Principal or President, was almost exclusively his own creation, and to it he was devoting himself with all the energy of his nature. It is located in a charming situation, about a mile from the State Capitol, just beyond the new cemetery, and at the time of the Doctor's death was in a prosperous condition and filled to overflowing with pupils. Near by is the Doctor's residence, an elegant building, completed within the last year under his own direction, and around it an extensive ground, with fruit, orchards, garden, etc., tastefully laid out by himself. The school-buildings and his own house and grounds indicate a man of taste and culture, who had located himself permanently near the work to which he purposed devoting his life. It was to this charming spot, in the midst of comforts and luxury, and almost at the opening of a successful life's career that the destroyer came, and in a moment stunned all his prospects and plans of the future.

On the 1st of October Dr. Smith arose at his usual hour, about half past 5, and after walking about his farm a little while and giving special directions to the overseer of the estate as to the work of the day, returned for breakfast, remarking before sitting down that he felt a little unwell. He suggested that a seidlitz powder might do him good, and thereupon his daughter, Mrs. Mann, prepared it for him and he took it, remarking as he did so that it was unusually bitter, and inquiring what made it so. His daughter replied that she did not know, that she had mixed it just as her mother handed it to her. After eating his breakfast the Doctor returned to the farm, and while conversing with his overseer was overtaken with what he described as a peculiar sensation. Thereupon he at once returned to the house. Arriving there, he said to his family that he believed he was dying and thought he had been poisoned. A physician was sent for, but too late. In five minutes the poison had done its work, and the Doctor was a corpse. The suddenness of the event and the singularity of his remark that he thought he had been poisoned, made it seem necessary to summon a Coroner's jury and have a *post mortem* examination. The jury was summoned and the examination begun.

And now there began to be woven around the persons of Mary E. Smith, the wife, and Mrs. Frances E. Mann, the daughter of the dead man, a chain of circumstances which needs but a link or two to fasten upon them the guilt of deliberate murder. The link lacking in this circumstantial chain is a motive and cause. Could it be shown that any sufficient motive existed in the minds of these two women, as for instance that they were to be in some way profited by the dark transaction, or could it be shown that positive-ly unhappy relations existed between them and the husband and father, the chain would be complete. The admitted facts as they have slowly coiled around the unhappy wife and daughter may be stated in brief, without giving the testimony in detail. The first duty of the Coroner's jury, of course, was to secure the remains of the soldiitz powder left in the goblet from which the Doctor drank, and the box powders from which the particular one was taken. The *post mortem* was conducted by trust-worthy physicians of the city, and it was decided to send the stomach of the deceased to Philadelphia, for the purpose of chemical analysis. The Coroner who took the stomach to Philadelphia carried also the tumbler in which the powders were mixed, the empty paper wrapper which had contained the dose, the tin box containing the other seidlitz powders from which the dose was taken, the spoon used in administering the medicine, and a glass jar of sugar out of which the powder had been sweetened.

Dr. Genth, the chemist to whom these articles were submitted, began his analysis very carefully with the more unimportant articles. The sugar in the jar was first tested. It showed nothing to verify the suspicion of the doctor that he had been poisoned. Then came the tin box of seidlitz powders. They were tested one by one, deliberately and carefully, with the consciousness that more than human life hung on the result. Nothing yet of poison. And now the chemist comes closer to his work. He takes up the empty powder-wrappers, including the white and blue papers which had contained the said powder and the soda. A particle of white powder adhering to the blue paper attracted his attention. It was the beginning of the trail. The minute white particle was subjected to the usual chemical tests. The characters and perhaps the lives of two women trembled in the balance, and as the result appeared the coil of circumstances began slowly to envelop them. There was in this little speck of white a deadly mineral poison. The tests developed the chararteristics of strychnine, and the chemist so pronounced it. Then came the spoon used in administering the dose on mixing the powders. Here was another trace of white powder, and under the analysis this, too, proved to be strychnine. Next came the tumbler from which the powder had been taken, and in which a sediment remained. The trail remained. Here was the deadly poison again beyond a doubt. The examination of the stomach was reserved until the last, and here was found the final and conclusive evidence that the doctor when he threw up his hands in the agony of death, and expressed his belief that he had been poisoned, was not giving way to childish fears, but was uttering his deliberate conviction as to the cause of his distress.

Here were facts that could not be denied, for they came in under the exaction of scientific exaction. Dr. Smith died from the effects of poison. Who administered it? Confessedly his own daughter, Mrs. Francis S. Mann, who received it from the hands of her mother, the wife of the doctor. There is enough in this to warrant the jury in holding both the women to answer to the charge of murder. But this was not all. It appeared in evidence before the jury that Mrs. Smith was the custodian of the key to a closet from which the glass was taken in which the fatal draught was mixed; that she rarely allowed any one but herself to take the key or have access to the contents of the closet. And now the facts coil still closer round this unhappy woman, for in this closet was found a vial containing a quantity of strychnine.

So much for the chain of circumstances, and certainly the jury was warranted upon these in holding both the women for trial. Added to these are reports current among the negro servants that the doctor was tyrannical and cruel in his family, and had at times personally chastised his own wife. These form the missing link of motive, and it seems as if nothing could be more complete. If the women are innocent, they are victims of the most cruel combination of circumstances that ever imperilled human life. If guilty, here is another illustration of the certainty with which deliberate crime defeats itself and insures its own detection. Such were the facts the Coroner's jury, on the 11th of November--so much time having been occupied in obtaining testimony and procuring analysis of the articles named--returned a verdict that J. Brinton Smith came to his death from the effects of strychnine administered by Frances S. Mann, and that Mary E. Smith was the custodian of a key of the closet in which was found a vial of said poisonous drug.

Under a Coroner's warrant the two ladies were arrested on the following day and committed to jail. This was on Tuesday.

Application for a writ of *habeas corpus* was immediately made by the counsel for the accused, and a hearing upon it was had before Judge Watts, of the Superior Court, this city, on Saturday. The Mayor's office, in which the hearing took place, was thronged, and intense interest was manifested in the proceedings by on-lookers. Mrs. Smith came into Court leaning on the arm of her late husband's brother, and accompanied by Mrs. Mann and three other daughters of the deceased, all clad in deepest mourning. The counsel for the prisoners said the defence was willing to have all the facts in the case brought to light, for the purposes of this examination we ready to admit the regularity of the money to the chemical analysis, the discovery of poison etc., and that the tumbler containing the poison was handed to the deceased by his daughter, Mrs. Mann, notwithstanding which he was satisfied he would be able to convince the Court of the innocence of the prisoners. The prosecuting attorney said he regarded this as the most important case that had ever been tried in North Carolina, and that a regard for public duty compelled him to demand the fullest investigation, but that he was not now prepared for the trial, and asked a postponement. His request being denied, the prosecuting attorney declined having any responsibility in the case and withdrew from the trial. The hearing was consequently, in some measure, *ex parte*.

The counsel for the defense then submitted the report of the testimony before the Coroner's jury and introduced testimony to show, first, the absence of any motive for the crime. The affairs of the deceased were shown to be in an embarrassed condition, and it was proven that his wife had voluntarily signed away all her interest in the estate to relieve him from the embarrassment in which he was involved, to which she was strongly devoted. The general testimony at the time of his death was that the City of Raleigh and the State of North Carolina had sustained an almost irretrievable loss. Though a Northern man by birth and education, he was received most cordially into society here, and being public spirited and enterprising, he interested himself at once in all measures to promote the immigration of a good class of Northern man to the State. It is said he was more successful in this than any other man in the State. In the absence of the Rev. Dr. Mason, of Christ Church, in the city, he was frequently called upon to officiate in that gentleman's pulpit, and did so to the entire acceptance of the church and people to whom he had endeared himself.

The school, of which he was Principal or President, was almost exclusively his own creation, and to it he was devoting himself with all the energy of his nature. It is located in a charming situation, about a mile from the State Capitol, just beyond the new cemetery, and at the time of the Doctor's death was in a prosperous condition and filled to overflowing with pupils. Near by is the Doctor's residence, an elegant building, completed within the last year under his own direction, and around it an extensive ground, with fruit, orchards, garden, etc., tastefully laid out by himself. The school-buildings and his own house and grounds indicate a man of taste and culture, who had located himself permanently near the work to which he purposed devoting his life. It was to this charming spot, in the midst of comforts and luxury, and almost at the opening of a successful life's career that the destroyer came, and in a moment stunned all his prospects and plans of the future.

On the 1st of October Dr. Smith arose at his usual hour, about half past 5, and after walking about his farm a little while and giving special directions to the overseer of the estate as to the work of the day, returned for breakfast, remarking before sitting down that he felt a little unwell. He suggested that a seidlitz powder might do him good, and thereupon his daughter, Mrs. Mann, prepared it for him and he took it, remarking as he did so that it was unusually bitter, and inquiring what made it so. His daughter replied that she did not know, that she had mixed it just as her mother handed it to her. After eating his breakfast the Doctor returned to the farm, and while conversing with his overseer was overtaken with what he described as a peculiar sensation. Thereupon he at once returned to the house. Arriving there, he said to his family that he believed he was dying and thought he had been poisoned. A physician was sent for, but too late. In five minutes the poison had done its work, and the Doctor was a corpse. The suddenness of the event and the singularity of his remark that he thought he had been poisoned, made it seem necessary to summon a Coroner's jury and have a *post mortem* examination. The jury was summoned and the examination begun.

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REMOVING BROADWAY EYE-SORES.

Descent Upon the Concert Saloons.

From the New York Tribune, Nov. 18.

Years ago the Broadway concert saloons became familiar to the sight of every dweller in this city. At night the stroller's attention was irresistibly attracted by the seemingly rich ornamentation of their exteriors, by the flashes of light from the clusters of colored lamps above the doorways, and by the faint melody on the air of the apparently brilliant music within. In the daylight, the rude painting, smoky lamps, and dirty floor were exposed to view, and the real shabbiness of the saloons became repulsively apparent.

Like other forms of business, the concert-saloon has had its days of ill and good fortune. Copied, indeed, from European models, it was first nurtured in this city during the lax times of the war. With the dawn of peace it grew into vigorous life, became bold from impunity, and at last defied public sentiment. A State Legislature at once passed a strict law on the subject, and, after a brief fight in the courts, the police entered the saloons and closed their doors, as the people thought, forever.

A few months passed, and then one of the old saloons was opened in secret by its doors. The police pounced down upon the place only to find it conducted in the most irreproachable manner; and, being unable to make any truthful complaint in the courts against the smiling proprietor, they were compelled to leave the saloon without making any arrests. Other saloons were gradually opened, but all were carried on in such a manner that the "Blue Law" was not openly violated.

Soon after the present City Charter passed, however, a general advance was made on the road of pandering to the lowest forms of a degraded taste. The women who carried liquor to the men visiting the saloons were dressed in garments similar to those worn by ballet-dancers. The interior of the saloons were remodelled; their walls were covered with gilded paper, a stage was built for musicians, and a bar of monstrous size was erected. Outside, a large placard over the door announced that admission was free. In the doorway there was generally hung a large frame, holding the portraits of many beautiful young women, who, it was declared, served lager beer in the saloon.

A week ago one of the saloon firms, with great enterprise, hired a large wagon, placed within it a frame filled with pictures, and made a tour through the chief thoroughfares of the city, ringing a large bell at times to call the attention of residents to the advertising card.

For several months past the number of saloons has been rapidly increasing, the bands of music have been enlarged, and the manner of their presence on the great thoroughfares has consequently been more loudly and impudently proclaimed. The saloons have been crowded with visitors, the great majority in attendance night after night being boys. Complaints have been pouring in for months upon the Superintendent Kelso Parents who assured him that their sons had been ruined by the saloons.

The Superintendent on Saturday issued orders to the Captains of the Eighth, Fifth and Fourteenth precincts, where the saloons are mainly situated, to make on the same evening a simultaneous descent upon the saloons.

The police started from their respective station-houses at 12 p. m., that being the hour when the saloons are usually thronged.

Captain Byrnes, of the Fifteenth Precinct, in citizen's clothes, entered with several officers, also in citizen's clothes, the Arion Music Hall, in Broadway, opposite Waverley place. At almost every table in the hall there sat several men--a few listening to the music of the small orchestra, but the great majority talking, laughing, and drinking with the waitresses.

The women were insolent in their demeanor to all but a few of the men; demanding with tiresome reiteration that their guests should prove their devotion by ordering bottles of expensive wine from the bar. All the women were dressed, if the term can be used, in crimson and colored tights, black velveteen Spanish jackets and waists. All, it was perfectly evident from their obscene address and lecherous behavior, were prostitutes of the lowest class. Boys leaned against the side of the bar, talking glibly with some of the women. Many of the women smoked--an act which was witnessed with great apparent delight by several countrymen present.

As the orchestra was playing a plaintive air Captain Byrnes addressed the assemblage as follows: "All here will consider themselves under arrest." Upon hearing these words, the men in the saloon, numbering nearly 200, ran toward the rear of the saloon, seeking to escape by a door which, as they imagined, opened into the street on that side of the building. Several policemen stationed at that point beat them back.

During the frantic rush of the men, several of the women were trampled upon and severely hurt. The girls were ordered to don their street dresses, and they quickly did so. The men found in the saloon were then released and the women were taken to the Fifteenth Precinct Station-house.

At the same moment Captain Clinchy of the Fourteenth Precinct, swept the interior of the "Canterbury," at No. 632 Broadway, a hall extending from Broadway to Crosby street. The walls are covered with costly mirrors and lascivious paintings. From 400 to 500 men and boys were carousing with the half-naked girls. This saloon is entered from the "New Idea Dime Museum," on Broadway; the "Canterbury;" the "Assembly Rooms," No. 638 Broadway; the "Dew Drop Inn," No. 556 Broadway, and the "Alexis," No. 720 Broadway.

The women were taken respectively to the Fifteenth, Fourteenth, and the Eighth Precinct Station-houses. The night was a stormy one, snow had fallen, the sidewalks were soaked with mire, and the women walked with difficulty to the station-houses. Several of them fell down on the way. Out of a crowd of more than a hundred there were not half a dozen who could be called pretty; the great majority being bloated, bleached, and dissipated. They were followed to the station-houses by hundreds of men, who loudly demanded admittance on the ground that they were the husbands of the arrested women.

In the Eighth Precinct Station House, as the girls were waiting to be disposed of, a policeman brought into the station an old woman, helplessly intoxicated. She staggered up before the desk, put forward an arm from beneath a ragged shawl, and, grasping the iron railing, said, "Put me down 75, I have got one sure." She had probably been in the same cell so often that, by the mere repetition of the order concerning her, she had learned it. She was taken to the cell she had mentioned, screaming wildly and swearing. The concert-saloon women crowded around her, and seemed to shudder at the horrible thought of the old age that closes a vicious life.

The women were all taken to the Police Courts yesterday morning. At Jefferson Market, Justice Kane discharged all from custody. The following proprietors, however, were committed to await trial at the Special Sessions, for keeping disorderly houses: Frederick Kobel, Henry Winters, Benjamin Heath, and William Geisenberg. At the Tombs Police Court, Alderman Coman committed all the women, and held for trial the following proprietors: Elisha Gregory, Frederick Hughes, Richard Campbell, and Charles Wakefield.

A Girl Accused of Killing Her Three Illegitimate Children.

A correspondent of the Halifax (N. S.) *Chronicle*, under date of Caraquet, N. B., Nov. 2, says: Information was laid before Justice Blackall, of this parish, by parties unknown to the public, to the effect that there were very good reasons to believe that a young woman in the upper part of the district had given birth to a child and had done away with it in a rather mysterious manner; but as they did not care to go further into the matter they would leave it to him to arrive at the facts. Mr. Blackall immediately obtained a warrant for the young woman's arrest, and a search warrant, which were handed to a Constable for prosecution. After the girl was taken in charge Mr. Blackall then went to her place of residence to assist in the search, in which they were so successful that in less than half an hour they obtained the skeletons of two children and the body of a child in a perfect state. When the prisoner was brought before the examining magistrate, she put on a very determined look and declared her innocence; however, when the doctor arrived from Bathurst she was not able to stand in her "not guilty" attitude any longer, but immediately confessed to being the mother of the three children, and other evidence was obtained to show that she had done away with them illegally. She is now in Bathurst, awaiting trial at the next County Court, which opens next week, when it is hoped she will receive a sentence of punishment equal to the magnitude of her crime.

PARIS.

A Prodigal Metropolis--Foreign Residents Departing--The Future of Paris.

Paris (Nov. 2) Correspondence of the New York Times.

Paris has always been, and always will be, perhaps, a charming residence for strangers, but in order to induce strangers to come here, or to remain here for any length of time, steps must be taken to insure them a reasonable return for their money. At the present time the entire shop-keeping and laboring classes are trying to live upon the limited number of strangers here, and the consequence is that the latter find Paris a little too much for their purses. An American who came here, say after after our war, and who has been living here ever since upon a fixed income, finds himself three times poorer to-day than he was in 1865. If that income was small at the former date, he must supplement it in some way or quit the city. One American who came here fifteen years ago and found himself quite rich, has been growing poorer and poorer every year on the same allowance, and last year when he could no longer live, he went home to blow his brains out in California. The greater portion of the money seen here comes from strangers, but it is not easy to keep the attention of the fresh one that the foreign element is rapidly growing less, and more impecunious. Americans are now the mainstay and the only hope.

There will always be a large number of transient visitors here, but it is evident that the number of foreign residents is rapidly diminishing. The English colony is very small, as *Galignani's* subscription-list can show. Germans there are none; the Spanish and Swiss are poor; the Italians spend scarcely any money at all; and there are no more Russian Princes of the Demidoff stamp to throw millions from their windows. The Prince de Metternich has not only taken away a large fortune, and the daily bread of hundreds of working people of both sexes, but he has carried away a number of the richest Austrian families of his set. The price travelers have been asked for a freak of the boys, and a large number of wealthy Mexican families have followed them out of the country. You would scarcely credit the number of sets thus broken up by the siege or by the Republic, and to the number must be added the large following of the extravagant Imperial Court.

But this only shows where the money does not come from, and despite the present evident falling off, the same appearance of luxury prevails. Yet I am safe in saying that it is mainly fictitious, and that the effects of over-inflation and high prices will soon be felt. Owing to the immense prosperity of the Empire--which many would deny if they could--thousands of families invested their savings in works of art or articles of luxury and taste, and these things are now being sold by auction in almost all parts of France there are constant auction sales; the Hotel des Ventes is daily filled with rich and costly furniture and pictures; the dealers in *bric-a-brac* are six-fold more numerous than of old, and nearly half of the fine stores along the new streets are temporarily occupied by *brocanteurs*, who spread out their wares to catch the eyes of passing strangers. One sees family pictures and souvenirs which would never have been sold but for necessity. Sometimes strangers pick up bargains. Not long ago an American bought a very small picture for 100 francs, and sold it a few hours later to M. de Rothschild for 3,000 francs, and another bought a 20,000 franc picture for 130 francs. I have also some personal experience to offer. Also, having bought of a Baron who found his income utterly inadequate to the present rate of living, and who was glad to sell at a very low price, rather than to send his furniture and pictures to the public sale, and have the fact advertised to all the world. He is a member of the Jockey Club, and formerly lived very comfortably; but now, he says, he finds it impossible to live upon an income which once kept him well, with two servants and a pair of horses.

CONDITION OF THE POOR.

Descending in the social scale, we find the poor suffering from the high prices of provisions, and, although wages are higher than before, they have to endure many hardships. For the moment, however, they live upon illusions, as nearly everything they use is badly adulterated, and of the poorest sort. Matches are made of green wood, dipped in the old bad-smelling sulphurous preparation; there is very little genuine coffee to be had, and that used is a mixture of chicory; the sugar sold is abominable, and the wine sold for from twelve to fifteen sous the quart is manufactured "out of whole cloth." There is not a drop of wine in much of it, and yet it sells at the price of *vin ordinaire*. It is only fair to say that the act of adulterating is well understood, and the doctors say that the articles used are not necessarily unwholesome. Of course, this puts off the evil day; but it also imposes an extra burden upon the *rentier* class. Genuine articles are very high, and beyond the reach of moderate purses, but the middle and better classes must have them, cost what they will. They use as little as possible, and yet find their former incomes insufficient. The better classes continue to pay the high prices and supplement their incomes, or supply the deficits, by selling their lands, their works of art, or their establishments, and they pinch in every way within doors in order to keep up the outer show. A Frenchman would prefer missing his dinner to his ride in the Bois de Boulogne and his seat at the opera. How long this will last is more than I can say, but so many are falling out of line, and going away to the country, that it would seem impossible to go on much longer without a change. If peace and order are desired it is a great mistake for the Government to remain away from Paris, and efforts should be made to establish some kind of a Court here; but so long as M. Thiers and the Assembly are at cross purposes it will be difficult to bring about the state of things so earnestly desired.

STRIKE IN THE COAL MINES.

Another and Higher Demand by the Miners--Fifteen Mines in Pennsylvania Idle.

Pittsburgh, Pa. (Nov. 17) Despatch to the New York Herald.

The entire mining region throughout Pennsylvania is just now greatly agitated by reason of a universal strike on the part of the miners, who demand an increase of ten cents per ton over present rates. The miners are now receiving seventy cents per ton, except at the Derby Coal Company, where they have been given seventy-five. This strike was not unexpected. On the contrary, the miners notified the operators about a fortnight since that unless their demand for an increase of ten cents per ton was acceded to they would quit work on the evening of the 14th instant. And they kept their word. On the 15th the men refused to work at the former rates, and, as the operators agreed among themselves not to yield to the strikers, every one of the sixteen mines on this mountain stopped operations, except the Derby. Other than the latter having, it is said, some large contracts on hand, preferred to pay the extra ten cents rather than stop work, and the Derby mine is, therefore, being operated as usual. How long the strike will last it is difficult to say. Some were of opinion that two weeks out of employment will bring the men to terms. Others think the strike will be prolonged a month, but, be the result what it will, the effect will be injurious and pernicious in its consequences. At this season of the year all the mines are usually under contract for all the coal produced, and any suspension of business, no matter for how short a period, cannot but be exceedingly detrimental to their interests. Even if the advance in the price of coal shall be as large as they anticipate, by reason of a scarcity of the article, yet the time lost and the interest of the money on the large capital invested will hardly counterbalance a cessation of operations for a fortnight or more.

The miners are the heaviest losers by the strike. The price they are now being paid, of seventy cents per ton, is the largest since the war. It was only last spring that they were advanced from sixty to seventy cents per ton, and it is as certain and positive as anything can be that the operators are determined to resist the present strike at all hazards. They claim that the demand is unreasonable and unjust; that the miners' earnings average a hundred dollars monthly; that they are already the best paid laboring element in the country, and that even if they desired to give the extra ten cents, the margin on coal is so small at present market rates that they could not actually afford to comply with the wishes of the strikers without losing money. The miners of the "Mountain," as the region of bituminous coal is called, say that they have received orders to strike from the headquarters of their Union in Philadelphia, and that they have no alternative but to obey. I have also ascertained this evening that in the anthracite region the miners have struck, and a similar movement has been inaugurated in the coal mines of Maryland, Ohio, and Illinois. There can be no doubt of the authenticity of this report, as my informants are trustworthy and reliable. At Tyrone, where are located the scales for the Pennsylvania Railroad, the receipts for Saturday only amounted to 1,000 instead of 3,000 tons, which is the average coal weighed there in transits for Eastern markets. The weigh-master at Tyrone tells me that on Monday he only expects 200 tons, which will be produced by the Derby. From Pittsburgh we learn here that coal is exceedingly scarce. No strike is reported at the mines in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, although one will certainly occur there early next week, unless it took place last night. Of course, as this is purely a mining and manufacturing region, the excitement in consequence of the general strike is intense. Miners are idle, and, having been recently paid off, are spending their time in porter houses and drinking more than is good for them. It is impossible to secure men outside the Miners' Union to work the deserted mines, as a sanguinary battle would be fought between the Union and the non-Union men, and there is not a force large enough to maintain the peace or protect the non-Union men against violence from the strikers. Hence there is an era of idleness in this usually busy, active mining and manufacturing locality. The effect of this strike

...t. Under her feet, which were tied ...a grave had been dug, into which the ...brown after the crime had been per...

...p-mother, realizing the enormity of the ...Fearful of the fate which awaited her ...losure, committed suicide by hanging ...the night of the 24th of May. The ...guishing some connection between ...e and the sudden disappearance of ...Durand, at once arrested the father ...m, and, on questioning the youthful ...laughter, who witnessed the crime, ...med as to the whereabouts of the ...h was discovered on the 31st. The ...ven before the Court by the brother ...rpling) of the victim was such as, the ...of the proceedings tell us, made the ...the audience creep. The principal ...the crime, however—namely, the ...though found guilty without extenu...nstances, escaped the capital sen... was condemned to penal servitude ...

...NERAL NEWS ITEMS.

...snow of Friday, the 15th, was very ...roughout Kentucky.

...rmont Legislature has just appropri... for a monument to William French, ... pioneers in the anti-royalist move... a State.

...ston *Herald* printed on Monday, on ...ek's press, 112,000 copies, and on two ...es, 108,000, making in all 220,000—an ...ited number for any Boston paper.

...ny sections of Maine, hens which have ...to the refuse of stalls containing sick ...e been affected with a distemper sim... horse distemper. In many cases they ...in large numbers.

...nsonville, Tenn., last week, John R. ... very respectable citizen, was shot ... cold blood by a concealed assassin. ...s entered his body.

...A. Dow, whose *Waverly Magazine* ca... on Lindall street, Boston, was en... royed by the great fire, is at once to ...his Waverly Hotel in Charlestown ...o a great printing house.

...ounsel for Mrs. Sherman, in the Derby ...orce case have decided not to bring ...efore the Court of Errors; according... nce of imprisonment for life will pro... ven at the next session of the Superior ...

...e evening of the 12th, fire was discov... of the numerous buildings consti... rt Kearney, and it raged fearfully until ...n save two or three were entirely con... Thus passes away one of the most con... historic landmarks of the Platte Val...

...Titusville *Press* says that Stanley, when ...s in this country this winter, will be ... in his suit of clothes made by a Ujiji ...nsisting of a swine string wound ...is big toe, and a straw hat cut low in ...e.

...managers of the Swede College, at ...nd, Ill., have purchased 20 acres of ...mediately in rear of the former resi... David Hawes, in the Fourth Ward, for ...nd it is expected, if subscriptions warr... the college buildings will be erected ...t summer.

...most calm and philosophic case of self... of which we have lately read was that ...H. Woodbury, of Lowell, Vermont. He ...per in his mouth which made his life a ...h to himself and others, and there was no ...ecuring it. He accordingly obtained ...phine, making no secret of the pur... ...ired a coffin, made all necessary ar... ...ts for a very simple funeral, bade his ...od-bye, and retired to a quiet cham... he took the fatal dose and fell into a ...m which there was no waking in this ...

...married ladies of the Moquis tribe of ...f Arizona are a curiosity to us outside ... They wear their hair in such a roman... that there is no danger of a fellow mis... one for a married woman. As soon as ...marriageable they do their hair up on ...e of the head, something in the shape ...eat wings, or as it most reminds one of ...s of a propeller. The dear creatures ...they were just ready to fly. As soon ...nter the bonds of matrimony they ...r wings, and then their hair hangs in ...s by the side of the head.

...suit brought by the executor of the ...cesses estate against the Phœnix Life ...e Company, of Hartford, Ct., is to re... ...0,000 insurance, not $30,000, as has ...orrectly stated. The defence is that ...cocreases obtained the policy with the ...t of defrauding the Company by com...nicide. The whole amount of insurance ...ad man is $185,000. Suits have already ...de against the Mutual, Metropolitan, ...e Life, and Connecticut Life Insurance ...es to recover the amounts of the poli... held by them.

PERSONAL.

...hurz lectures in Louisville, next Mon...ing.

...Waite, of Toledo, is talked of for the ...mission.

...L. Bocker's new residence in St. Paul, ...pleted, cost $40,000.

...Cincinnati *Commercial* points to Arch... ...rcell as the next Pope of Rome.

...essor Moses Coit Tyler denies that the ...k scholar in the Michigan University is ...

...V. Corcoran has just made another do... $20,000 for the benefit of the Wash...d Lee University, in Virginia.

...ese Yelverton is writing "Wanderings ...," for the San Francisco *Bulletin*. Her ...r is dated at Singapore.

...Shaw, of Carroll County, Illinois, will ...didate for Speaker of the House of Repre... this winter.

...e William P. Lyon, of the Wisconsin ... Court, celebrated his silver wedding at ...e 18th.

...inister Motley, who, since his retire... ...n our diplomatic service, has resided at ...e of the Queen of Holland, is about to ...e on a visit, it is said.

...el J. Phillips, of Raleigh, the new So... ...eneral, conducted the trial of the Ku...oners in North Carolina, and thereby ...r with the Administration.

...F. Sanborn has purchased the Newp... *Mercury*, a paper started by Ben. Frank... 58, and will make it a daily.

...Constance Rothschild, the eldest ...of Baron Meyer de Rothschild, is about ...ried to the Hon. Mr. Yorke, son of the ...rdwicke, and brother of Lord Royston.

...ral Kantz, the Commandant of the ...Barracks, will, on the 27th inst., wed ...plished Miss Markbreit, half-sister of ...esaurel, at Cincinnati.

...essor Elliott, of the Smithsonian Insti... ...r traveling in Alaska, will be married ...ter to a daughter of the Russian ex... Max Wall. The wedding will be ...d at the Greek Church, London.

...nd Yates witnessed the Boston con..., it is said, and will probably write an ...r it for some English periodical. He ...d to lecture in aid of the sufferers, and ...in relieving those thrown out of em...

...Nellie, the devoted daughter of Mrs. ..., (whose trial upon the charge of pois... ...neral Ketchum excited so much inter... married as far back as the 4th of July ...sin. M. H. Wharton, of Philadelphia, ...et rumor is current that one of Den... ...ists, on being recently introduced to ... Denver belles, gracefully opened the ...ion by saying, "Miss W——, I hope ...y consider that we are not entirely un... ...t. I had the pleasure of pulling out ...r your father a short time ago."

...Augusta M. Rodgers, of Brooklyn, has ...n four years received letters patent ...Government for as many as four dif... ...entions—A mosquito canopy, a folding ...a plan for hearing cars without fire, ...rovement in spark arresters (to be ...locomotives). The first two are also ...ected by the great seal of England.

...n Sumner wrote to a friend at New... ...that he had taken passage for home, ...: "Friends urge that I should post... ...eturn, and thus receive a further lease ...f I cannot satisfy myself without re... ...My health has improved visibly and ...

...I can walk now, as I could not ...ival, but I find what the doctor calls ...tions! I have not read an American ...since I sailed out of Boston Harbor; ...concerned myself except with si ghts, ...d pictures."

...rince of Wales recently paid a visit to ...f Aylesford, at Packington Hall, War... ...and the local newspapers give an ...account of the manner in which ...e Earl entertained his princely ...y. The first day was devoted to ...oting. His Royal Highness and eight ...tlemen, each armed with a double... ...un, and followed by an attendant with ...un ready loaded, went out into his ...covers in a heavy rain, and butchered ...diligence the little animals which the ...ndled from their hiding places, these ...l they had accumulated 785 carcasses. ...l Highness spent the second day in ...asants; and it is to be hoped that ...ertainer had some fresh form of ...e kindness for him on the day fol...

CHICAGO'S MURDERERS.

Changes of Venue Granted in the Cases of Rafferty and Pertect.

The Former Prefers Lake, and the Latter Will County, to be Tried in.

Mr. Boice Granted Another Continuance—The Peri Case.

In the Criminal Court, yesterday morning, the applications for a change of venue in the cases of the murderers Pertect and Rafferty were taken up and disposed of. There were comparatively few people in the court-room, due, probably, to the fact that the proceedings commenced at a quarter of 10 o'clock. Both the prisoners were present, and each looked well, and as if he was satisfied with the result of the efforts of his counsel to secure immunity from hanging. Subjoined is what took place:

THE CASE OF RAFFERTY.

Mr. Reed—If the Court please, at the last September term of this court, Christopher Rafferty, who is now in court, was tried and convicted of the murder of Officer O'Meara, and the jury fixed as his punishment that he should suffer death by hanging. His counsel, Mr. Small, who is also in court, took the case on a writ of error to the Supreme Court, and the Supreme Court reversed the decision of the Court below upon two grounds; the main one, however, is that the Court below refused to change the venue on the application of the prisoner. I have a certified copy of the opinion of the Supreme Court in the case now in my hand, in which they hold that the Court should have granted a change of venue.

The Court—I have read the opinion.

Mr. Reed—I call up the case this morning, and desire the counsel [Mr. Small] to state whether he desires to renew that motion now, and have the venue changed.

Mr. Small—Undoubtedly.

The Court—You wish to insist on the motion?

Mr. Small—Yes, sir.

Mr. Reed—The statute provides, if the Court please, that the next nearest county ——

The Court—Yes, where the cause complained of does not exist. Lake County is probably ——

Mr. Reed—What has been the uniform practice?

The Court—It is the most convenient county.

Mr. Small, is that agreeable to you?

Mr. Small—I want to say this: I have been informed that it was not advisable for this case to go to Lake County. I have not drawn any petition with a view of having it taken from Lake County and sent to any other county, but if, in the opinion of this Court, to whom this petition is now addressed, Christopher Rafferty can secure as fair and impartial trial of his cause there in that county as in any other county, I shall acquiesce in the views expressed to that county.

The Court—For aught I know he can, and I therefore change the venue from this county to Lake County.

THE CASE OF PERTECT.

Mr. Reed. That disposes of the Rafferty case. There is another case in the same condition. Your Honor, that of Andrew J. Pertect; and in that case—

The Court—I presume probably the reason why Judge Knowlton [Pertect's counsel] is not here is, it is not quite 10 o'clock. I told him yesterday that the case had been put off till this morning at 10 o'clock. Ah! there he is now [the Judge came into the room at this moment]. Do you wish to act upon your motion for a change of venue in the case of Pertect?

Mr. Knowlton—Undoubtedly. That I agreed with Mr. Reed to take up this morning.

The Court (to Mr. Reed)—I suppose you have nothing further to say in the matter?

Mr. Reed shook his head negatively.

The Court—I have read the opinion of the Supreme Court, and know what it is.

Mr. Knowlton—Lest there might be some question about the prejudice now existing (the case was tried so long ago), I prepared another petition, verified by an affidavit, so that there should be no question upon that subject, which I propose to file now.

Mr. Reed—It sets forth simply——

Mr. Knowlton—It set forth——

Mr. Reed—Will you read it?

Mr. Knowlton—This case was tried some time ago, your Honor will recollect, and there might be a question raised that the prejudice then existing does not exist now, after the cause was entitled in the Court.

The Court—The people could not take any advantage if the venue was changed, and I am prepared to change it.

Judge Knowlton then read the following petition:

The People of the State of Illinois vs. Andrew J. Pertect: Indictment for murder, &c., &c.:

Andrew J. Pertect, the defendant in the cause above entitled, hereby petitions the Honorable Court, and so petitioning says, that he fears that he cannot receive a fair and impartial trial in or of said cause in the said Criminal Court of Cook County, on account that the Hon. Egbert S. Williams, one of the Judges of said court, and also the Judge of the Circuit Court of Lake County and State of Illinois, is prejudiced against him, your petitioner; and, also, on account that the inhabitants of said Cook County and State of Illinois are prejudiced against him, your petitioner. Wherefore, your petitioner prays that the venue of said cause be changed to some other county, as by the statute in such cases is made and provided; and he also prays that said venue be so changed to the said County of Lake; and your petitioner will ever pray, &c. ANDREW J. PERTECT.

Judge Knowlton also read the affidavit of Pertect, setting forth in legal form the allegations in the petition.

Mr. Reed—This presents, of course, a different question from the Rafferty case. He (Pertect) swears in this petition that Judge Williams is prejudiced against him so that he cannot there (in Lake County) have a fair trial. (To Mr. Knowlton)—How will Joliet, or DuPage County, do?

The Court—Will County is nearer.

Mr. Knowlton—I would just as soon have it go to Will County.

The Court—Is Will as near as DuPage?

Mr. Knowlton—It is just as near, exactly.

The Court—The statute says the nearest county.

Mr. Reed—There is some hitch about the county seat in Will County.

Mr. Knowlton—I think it had better go to Will.

The Court—The venue is changed to Will County.

Mr. Reed—On the application of the prisoner.

This ended the proceedings of the Court on the applications for a change of venue, and the prisoners were reconducted to their cells in the County Jail. Mr. Reed announced it to be his determination to follow the cases to the Courts of Lake and Will Counties, although it would be very inconvenient for him to do so.

MRS. BOYCE'S CASE.

Mr. Adams, attorney for Mrs. Boyce, who is charged with killing one Johnson, at No. 92 West Madison street, made application for a continuance until the next term. Mr. Reed interposed no objection, and the trial was accordingly deferred.

THE PERI CASE.

The announcement in yesterday's TRIBUNE, that Governor Palmer had commuted the sentence of Gregori Peri to imprisonment for life, caused much comment in Chicago. Nearly every one you met had something to say regarding the action of His Excellency, and no one was backward in expressing himself as surprised and dissatisfied. Peri killed *two* men in cold blood and it was the prevailing opinion that he at least of the dozen Chicago murderers arrested within the past year was justly entitled to dangle from the end of a rope. Anxious inquiries were made for the names of some of the three hundred and thirty-one persons who signed the petition praying for his pardon, but who or what they are could not be learned. The names of the "substantial and wealthy" ones will probably be ascertained in a day or two. Ex-Judge Van Buren, it is said, took the document to Springfield, and urged its favorable consideration. Gus. Van Buren, who was associated with John Mason, in defending Peri, was in the Criminal Court, yesterday morning, during the time the counsel of Pertect and Rafferty were applying for a change of venue, and exclaimed "Glory to God! there is justice in the land." He was talking of Peri at the time. The murderer was informed early in the morning of the success of the petition, and a TRIBUNE reporter visited him in the afternoon, and endeavored to learn how he felt, but he refused to converse. The jailor said he seemed to be very happy, and that during his morning nap he frequently laughed very loud. He certainly has occasion to be jovial, and doubtless derives much consolation from the fact that he will not be immolated on the altar of justice. The Sheriff had received no official notification of the commutation of the sentence up to 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but, will probably receive the life-giving document to-day.

ILLINOIS.

Official Votes for Representatives in Congress.

We have heretofore put before in detail the votes of the first nine districts. The following completes the list, with a recapitulation of the whole:

TENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, William H. Neece, of Macomb; Republican, William H. Ray, of Rushville.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Neece.	Ray.
Hancock	3,587	3,596	3,799	3,140	3,803	3,719
Henderson	1,062	1,349	794	1,269	967	1,266
McDonough	2,142	3,212	2,495	2,797	2,799	2,726
Mercer	1,911	2,498	1,962	2,134	1,967	2,107
Schuyler	1,296	1,311	1,357	1,436	1,361	1,435
Warren	1,918	2,870	1,611	2,494	1,772	2,469
Total	11,916	15,236	10,969	13,268	11,996	12,762
Maj.	....	3,320	....	2,299	....	766

ELEVENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, Robert M. Knapp, of Jacksonville, Republican, Asa C. Matthews, of Pittsfield.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Knapp.	Martin.
Adams	5,741	4,778	4,763	4,140	5,221	4,719
Brown	1,062	930	1,024	815	1,071	924
Calhoun	515	577	560	429	597	430
Greene	2,369	1,785	2,197	1,671	2,208	1,765
Jersey	1,999	1,441	1,908	1,120	1,979	1,136
Pike	3,319	2,775	2,827	2,634	2,849	2,725
Total	15,581	11,386	13,279	10,719	13,715	11,699
Maj.	....	4,195	....	2,775	....	2,859

TWELFTH.

Candidates: Liberal, Jacob C. Robinson, of Springfield; Republican, M. H. Chamberlain, of Beardstown.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Robin'n.	Chamb'l
Cass	1,601	1,677	1,754	1,147	1,780	1,362
Christian	2,265	2,417	2,253	2,290	2,215	2,251
Menard	1,256	1,066	1,149	935	1,197	1,026
Morgan	3,778	3,663	3,242	3,726	3,274	3,178
Sangamon	4,973	4,713	4,885	4,149	4,819	4,167
Scott	1,127	1,113	1,072	891	1,106	969
Total	15,224	13,669	13,823	13,138	14,393	12,311
Maj.	....	1,555	....	674	....	2,082

THIRTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, Clifton H. Moore, of Clinton; Republican, John McNulta, of Bloomington.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Moore.	McN'lta.
DeWitt	1,769	1,662	1,605	1,734	1,676	1,615
Logan	1,902	2,515	1,814	2,426	1,914	2,423
Macon	2,719	2,977	2,844	2,998	2,911	2,977
McLean	3,568	4,805	3,625	5,245	3,663	4,699
Tazewell	2,735	3,729	2,697	3,309	2,818	3,309
Total	12,693	15,688	12,585	15,712	12,982	15,023
Maj.	....	2,995	....	3,127	....	2,041

FOURTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, William E. Nelson, of Decatur; Republican, Joseph G. Cannon, of Tuscola.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Nelson.	Cannon.
Champaign	2,125	2,250	1,946	2,225	2,134	2,224
Coles	2,217	2,652	2,117	2,511	2,178	2,511
Douglas	1,129	1,606	1,223	1,450	1,207	1,470
Macon	2,736	3,717	2,805	3,763	2,865	3,705
Piatt	1,314	1,773	1,293	1,762	1,292	1,760
Vermilion	2,054	3,556	1,707	3,274	1,904	3,309
Total	14,575	19,554	14,091	18,985	14,580	19,179
Maj.	....	4,979	....	4,894	....	4,599

FIFTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, John R. Eden, of Sullivan; Republican, George C. Hunt, of Paris.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Eden.	Hunt.
Clark	1,908	1,848	1,713	1,713	1,841	1,719
Coles	2,217	2,652	2,117	2,511	2,178	2,511
Cumberland	1,344	1,667	1,196	1,108	1,222	1,110
Edgar	2,320	2,258	2,140	2,264	2,214	2,269
Effingham	1,253	1,561	1,181	1,476	1,211	1,475
Jasper	1,134	971	1,055	917	1,118	919
Lawrence	1,175	1,674	1,170	1,140	1,145	1,139
Moultrie	1,284	1,388	1,211	1,267	1,241	1,266
Shelby	2,917	3,289	2,664	3,160	2,784	3,109
Total	16,109	18,679	15,760	15,256	14,953	15,396
Maj.	....	2,570	....	1,496	....	443

SIXTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, Silas L. Bryan, of Salem; Republican, James S. Martin, of Salem.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Bryan.	Martin.
Bond	773	1,358	917	1,049	856	1,045
Clay	1,709	1,997	1,720	1,660	1,811	1,653
Clinton	1,570	1,859	1,740	1,319	1,797	1,326
Fayette	2,629	3,771	3,711	1,727	1,893	1,733
Marion	2,102	2,177	2,218	2,015	2,047	2,046
Montgomery	2,700	2,177	3,518	2,218	2,646	2,246
Washington	1,253	1,861	1,940	1,742	1,758	1,784
Total	11,886	13,421	11,780	11,991	12,084	12,206
Maj.	....	1,535	....	211	....	340

SEVENTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, William R. Morrison, of Waterloo; Republican, John B. Hay, of Belleville.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Morrison.	Hay.
Macoupin	4,401	5,153	5,223	5,063	5,402	5,055
Madison	5,913	6,102	5,564	5,671	5,961	5,728
Monroe	1,000	962	1,030	1,010	1,038	1,006
St. Clair	3,259	4,614	4,060	4,213	4,147	4,345
Total	14,628	16,831	15,877	15,957	16,548	16,134
Maj.	....	2,203	....	80	....	414

EIGHTEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, George W. Wall, of DuQuoin; Republican, Isaac Clements, of Carbondale.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Wall.	Clem'ts
Alexander	1,068	629	1,420	1,201	1,201	1,215
Jackson	1,611	1,341	1,541	1,351	1,363	1,365
Johnson	1,612	1,254	1,537	1,149	1,465	1,147
Perry	1,642	1,651	1,655	1,017	1,611	1,016
Pope	893	1,151	1,090	1,185	1,177	1,164
Pulaski	1,027	1,043	1,000	1,000	994	1,185
Randolph	1,597	1,943	1,893	1,880	1,838	1,896
Union	1,796	966	1,720	963	1,784	1,751
Williamson	1,833	1,419	1,314	1,533	1,469	1,454
Total	14,079	11,546	13,170	11,279	13,102	12,293
Maj.	....	2,533	....	1,891	....	809

NINETEENTH.

Candidates: Liberal, Samuel S. Marshall, of McLeansboro; Republican, Green B. Raum, of Harrisburg.

	1868		1872		CONGRESS.	
	Seym'r.	Grant.	Greely.	Grant.	Marsh'll.	Raum
Edwards	421	868	411	871	425	899
Franklin	1,228	1,211	1,219	1,203	1,167	1,200
Gallatin	1,325	704	1,229	880	1,134	852
Hamilton	1,324	849	1,191	875	1,203	876
Hardin	1,000	943	1,043	966	1,022	1,000
Jefferson	1,920	1,115	1,756	1,540	1,859	1,586
Richland	1,153	1,537	1,243	1,317	1,198	1,326
Saline	1,555	1,570	1,543	1,517	1,504	1,571
Wabash	821	764	868	797	902	802
Wayne	1,681	1,625	1,664	1,594	1,751	1,616
White	1,676	1,676	1,753	1,494	1,742	1,613
Total	15,055	15,824	15,965	15,415	15,907	15,861
Maj.	....	769	....	550	....	46

RECAPITULATION.

	PRESIDENT— Greely.	Grant.	CONGRESS— Lib.	Rep.
First	16,109	15,169	16,295	15,170
Second	8,847	12,461	8,873	12,199
Third	4,712	9,810	4,962	9,209
Fourth	5,679	14,053	5,775	14,109
Fifth	7,203	12,804	7,338	14,068
Sixth	7,967	11,145	7,215	11,138
Seventh	7,979	13,462	7,490	13,408
Eighth	7,946	15,094	8,254	15,441
Ninth	10,197	9,94	10,709	15,660
Tenth	10,969	13,268	11,996	12,762
Eleventh	13,691	10,719	13,715	10,884
Twelfth	13,823	13,138	14,393	12,311
Thirteenth	10,520	13,712	10,580	13,420
Fourteenth	10,444	15,831	11,428	15,161
Fifteenth	11,760	15,256	14,953	15,396
Sixteenth	11,780	11,991	12,084	12,206
Seventeenth	13,451	15,959	13,215	11,516
Eighteenth	13,945	11,274	13,102	12,293
Nineteenth	12,055	11,415	13,287	11,251
Total	185,197	241,929	194,113	249,160
Majorities	56,772			46,068
Aggregates	427,126		434,251	

CHICAGO GAS.

Everybody around the City Hall was talking about gas yesterday. Many opinions were expressed, the majority favorable to the new company. Although nothing definite could be learned, it was generally believed that, with some amendments, the National Gas Company's ordinance would be passed by the Council. Mayor Medill said he was not opposed to additional gas companies; on the contrary, he wanted to see more in existence, if the people could secure cheap gas by competition. He, however, denounced "black mailing" companies, and did not propose that any sham ordinance should go through his hands and be approved. He had no objection to signing the gas ordinance as originally presented by the Committee on Gas Lights, when it provided safeguards and precluded the selling out of stock or the formation of combinations; but his autograph would never be appended to any document which would enable the men who engineered it through the Council to extort money from the old gas companies.

The Interior.

The *Interior*, under its present management, has taken a new departure, and become a live paper. As the representative of the Presbyterians in the Northwest, it is alive to everything, and seems to be giving the staid old Predestinators a general stirring-up. Dr. Dwight, the senior editor, is well known throughout the country for his scholarship and high scientific attainments, and is an important accession to his department of journalism in his new field of labor. Every Presbyterian in the Northwest ought to take the *Interior*. It is one of the handsomest sheets ever published in this country, and deserves well of its friends.

Oyster Supper and Festival.

An oyster supper and festival will be given for the benefit of the Ladies' Furnishing Society of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church on Thursday evening, Nov. 21, at the Church on Indiana avenue, near Twenty-fourth street. Complete preparations have been made for the best entertainment of the season. Supper from 6 to 10 o'clock. All are invited.

EVANSTON.

Josh Billings' and Prof. Cleveland's Lectures.

Society Gossip—Evanston's Sensation—Trustees' Meeting.

The lecture of Josh Billings, in Lyon's Hall, on Monday evening, was poorly attended. Why will not lecturers learn that the Evanston public believe themselves intellectual paragons, and not even to be instructed on the subject of "cockroaches?"

Dr. Cleveland's lecture in the University Chapel, being free, was well attended. The speaker was listened to with marked attention to the close.

The Beethoven Musical Society has secured J. A. Butterfield, of Chicago, as a leader. None but musicians of promise are admitted. One praiseworthy feature is, that all fees and dues have to be paid in advance, thus insuring the financial success of the enterprise. They are now practicing one of Beethoven's oratorios, and expect to give a public entertainment before the close of the winter.

A PLEASANT SOCIAL EVENT.

A very pleasant young people's party was given by Arthur and Kate Ducat, on Tuesday evening. Invitations were issued to the number of two hundred, and on the eventful evening the commodious and elegant parlors of General Arthur C. Ducat were filled with youth and beauty. The healthy Misses, and charming Misses appeared mostly in full dress, and, under the influence of music's magic spell, the hours flew by on angel wings, and joy reigned unconfined. Big parties may be dull to graver people, but surely the young enjoy them.

General Ducat and lady may have the satisfaction of knowing that no more *recherche* affair has ever come off in Evanston, and the lads and lassies who attended will not soon forget the enjoyable occasion, gotten up regardless of expense.

EVANSTON HAS ITS SENSATION.

not a divorce case, neither an ornithorhyncus, but a wicked, wicked man, whose delight is to terrify the femininity of the not more populous than popular thoroughfare known as Chicago avenue. He is described as a well-dressed man, with mustache, whiskers, hyperian locks *et al.*, uniformly seen after dark (by the ladies), with his hands in his pockets, sauntering leisurely along the walk in front of three blocks on the aforesaid avenue.

A certain kitchen-mechanic seems to be the object of his especial admiration. It was her custom to draw the supply of household fluid for the family in the evening, and on going to a neighboring house for this purpose, she always found this mysterious person waiting at the gate, ready to accompany her. He never offered her any violence, or even spoke; but she gets her milk in the morning now. His attentions are not confined to this one alone, but, always silent and faithful, he is also respectful and unapproachable. His mysterious performances are seriously disarranging the domestic economy of many once happy families, and causing the ladies many wakeful hours.

Owing to the dread that ladies have of going out at night unattended, they now stay at home more, and gossip is fearfully decreasing.

No small loss without some great gain.

Citizens of young men are organizing themselves into vigilance committees, and it is to be hoped that this enemy of his kind may be apprehended.

The excitement is intensifying, and everybody is asking, "What does it mean?"

THE TOWN TRUSTEES

met, pursuant to notice, in the Town Hall, Tuesday evening. Present: C. J. Gilbert, Dr. D. H. Wheeler, W. Gray, Ambrose Foster, and J. H. Kedzie; President Gilbert in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved; after which the Committee on Fire Engine made a report of progress, and asked to be continued.

The fire ordinance, which was adopted, prohibits the erection of wooden buildings within a tract extending 150 feet on either side of Davis street, from the Centre of Maple avenue to the alley east of Chicago avenue.

An ordinance was passed changing the names of all streets running north and south, to avenues, and all avenues running east and west to streets, thus making an uniform nomenclature. The name of the west end of the main street running through the town, formerly known as College avenue, was changed to Davis street, the name of the east end. Two new streets on the west side of town were named Emerson and Lyons streets.

STATE STREET BRIDGE.

The True Reason Why the Structure is Not Completed—The Iron Roof of the Water Works Also Delayed.

Many persons have asked the question, "Why is not the State street bridge finished?" and the Council, believing the Board of Public Works to be responsible for the delay, passed a resolution, at its last meeting, calling upon the Board to complete the structure immediately. The Mayor, yesterday, when asked about the bridge, answered the interrogatory satisfactorily. He said the iron for the superstructure should have been delivered long ago, under the contract, but had not been, owing to the inability of the contractors in Pittsburgh to furnish it. There seems to have been an extraordinary demand for iron all over the country the present year, and the various establishments which manufacture it have been unable to fulfil their contracts within the time specified in the agreements. The difficulty which interfered with the completion of State street bridge has als retarded the work on the roof of the Water Works. The last instalment of iron for the latter reached Chicago only a few days since, when it should have been here two or three months ago. Very little more of the iron-work for the bridge is required, and that little is expected to arrive in a week or two. When here, a week at least will be required to place it in position; hence three weeks more must elapse before the North Side will be accessible by way of the State street bridge. The Mayor thought the Council was too hasty in passing the resolution referred to, remarking that the Board of Public Works was doing everything possible in the way of writing and telegraphing to the contractors to make haste to complete the work, and that the adoption of 500 resolutions a day would not hurry forward the work an hour.

THE BOARD OF TRADE AND THE MUNN & SCOTT CASE.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Your commercial article in to-day's TRIBUNE asks, Will the Board of Trade take any action in the alleged fraudulent warehousing transactions of Munn & Scott? It then proceeds to say, in substance, that the Board will consume two or three days in discussing the conduct of a member, the extent of whose *alleged* default is measured by a few hundred dollars, but that it does not follow that Munn & Scott will be looked after; that the big fish are not always caught, but that the little are, etc.

Such language as this would not surprise me if uttered by a few persons who are restive under the wholesome restraints of the rules of the Board, or by a less intelligent and candid person than your commercial editor; but I am certainly more than surprised that your journal should, in this instance, become the medium of detraction through which the Board of Trade is thus aspersed. Your commercial editor ought to know that there is no real foundation for his charge that the rules of the Board of Trade are not impartially and fearlessly enforced by the Directory whenever complaints of their violation are duly made and proven. If you, as a public monitor and guardian of the commercial honor of Chicago merchants, will cause formal complaint to be made to the Directors of the Board of Trade that Munn & Scott have been guilty of any business misconduct, derogatory to their honor as business men and members of the Board, I will assure your readers that the charges will be fairly and fully investigated, and if proven, punished. But, as the power vested in the Board in such cases is limited to the simple exposure and expulsion of offenders, and as Munn & Scott, so far as any business interests or intercourse are concerned, have virtually withdrawn themselves from the Board, the question will arise, What greater punishment can we inflict, after an official investigation, than has been inflicted by their public exposure, already made? Would it add anything to the dignity of the Board of Trade to supplement the fall of Munn & Scott by a formal expulsion? There are very few members who would care to personally assume the position of public prosecutor under these circumstances. The Directors cannot act unless some one does assume this function. But, if you will furnish the complainants, the investigation will be had, and judgment will be rendered without fear or favor.

Again, our State Legislature, by direct enactment, has sought to divest the Board of Trade of all supervision of the warehouse business in this city. It has created a Board of Warehouse Commissioners, and has armed them with authority such as the Board of Trade never possessed, even before it was divested of what little supervisory power it originally had under its charter, or by voluntary assent of the elevator proprietors. Is it not, then, rather to the Commissioners, the State's Attorney, and the Grand Jury, that you should make your censorious appeal in behalf of outraged justice?

In conclusion, I beg to ask, as a merchant, a member of the Board of Trade, and one of its officers, if the occasional flings at the honor and integrity of the Board, kindred to this of which I now complain, are the kind of encouragement and support that Chicago merchants have a right to expect from the Chicago press in behalf of the leading commercial body of the Northwest? Such a spectacle of disrespect is witnessed, on the part of the press, in no other city in this country, or in the world. Respectfully,

MERCHANT.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20, 1872.

ITALY.

The Great Inundations.

From the London Times.

The floods in Italy are assuming proportions of which our own experience of English inundations would give a very imperfect idea. With us, "the rain it raineth every day." In Italy the clouds condense their fury on a few days of autumn and spring, at which latter season their volume is aided by the sudden thaw of the accumulated winter snows. They rush in a thousand streams down the mountain slopes which have just as much stand as seems consistent to give the deluge the most terrific momentum. The tidings of disaster reach us from every quarter of the Peninsula; from the Genoese Riviera, where between the Appennines and the sea border there seems to be hardly a span of level land; from the extreme point of Calabria, where the bare ribs of Aspromonte plunge almost perpendicularly into the deep. Still it is from the level plains that we hear reports of the greatest ravages, and more especially from those flats of Piedmont, Lombardy, and the Emilia which are apt to assume the appearance of a dismal swamp the moment they cease to be a fertile paradise.

A glance at the map will be sufficient to reveal the peculiar conditions of that favored region. The Alps encompass it on the west, north, and east, in the shape of a vast crescent from Nice to the Isonzo. On its northern watershed the streams of this chain diverge in every direction; the Rhone into France, the Rhine into Germany, and the feeders of the Danube, the Iller, the Lech, the Isar, and the

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McVICKER'S THEATRE—Madison street, between State and Dearborn. Miss Maggie Mitchell, supported by Mr. L. R. Shewell. "Pearl of Savoy."

AIKEN'S THEATRE—Wabash avenue, corner of Congress street. G. L. Fox Pantomime Combination. "Humpty Dumpty."

HOOLEY'S OPERA HOUSE—Randolph street, between Clark and LaSalle. John Allen, Little Mac, and Miss Alice Harrison, supported by Aiken's Company. "Schneider; or dot Old House von der Rhine."

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Halsted street, south of Madison. Engagement of Charlotte Thompson. "One Wife."

MYERS' OPERA HOUSE—Monroe street, between State and Dearborn. Arlington, Cotton & Kemble's Minstrel and Burlesque Troupe.

GLOBE THEATRE—Desplaines street, between Madison and Washington. Vaudeville Entertainment.

The Chicago Tribune.

Thursday Morning, November 21, 1872.

A rigid inspection of New York markets fails to detect any evidence that the distemper had, as rumored, attacked poultry.

It will be remembered that Rafferty and Perteet, the two Chicago murderers, after being tried and sentenced to death by the Criminal Court of this city, were granted new trials by the Supreme Court. Yesterday it was decided that these should take place in Lake County for Rafferty, and Will County for Perteet.

Thirty murderers, among whom are Foster, the car-hook murderer, and Stokes, are confined in the Tombs, where some of them have been for more than two years. New York grows restive under this evasion of the halter, and begins to talk of Lynch Law as a substitute for that in which murderers seem to find only protection. Even the staid *Evening Post* suggested yesterday "a few doses of lamp-post justice."

Commissioner Douglass proposes that Congress abolish the offices of Assessor and Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue, for the very sensible reason that their work can be done by the other employes of the service. This will relieve the Treasury of the payment of $5,000 a year to each of 230 Assessors, and of $5 a day to each of 1,300 Assistant Assessors,—an annual economy of over three millions of dollars.

Boston was startled, yesterday, by another fire, which destroyed one of the largest printing establishments in New England. The previous fire had afforded opportunity for street improvements, of which crooked Boston has long felt the need, and, curiously, the building which yesterday's flames carried off stood in the path of a projected extension of Washington street, and was to have been removed by less destructive means.

Eight hundred tracklayers on a Minnesota railroad are snowed up and believed to be perishing of cold and hunger. In order to secure a valuable land grant for the Winona & St. Peter Railroad they had pushed their work forward one hundred miles beyond the white settlements, and are at this moment buried without provisions in the impassable drifts of a snow-storm which has already lasted six days. Every attempt to reach the unfortunate men with relief trains has been baffled by the terrible weather.

It has been considered a congratulatory feature of the Boston fire, that it did not consume anything that was of permanent value, or which could not be replaced in time. An investigation into the losses has proceeded, however, it has been found that some things have been destroyed the loss of which is irreparable; and among them are the letters, papers, and manuscripts of the historian Prescott, which had been stored by the family into whose possession they had come, during their absence in Europe, in one of the fire-proof granite warehouses which was destroyed. Among these papers were a large number of ancient and authentic documents concerning Spain and the two Americas, all of his private correspondence and literary memoranda, including several of the finest portraits ever painted by Copley, the father of Lord Lyndhurst. Such a loss is total, and is a heavy calamity to the literary world.

A leading citizen of Boston writes to a friend in this city, in relation to the aid proffered from this and other cities, as follows: "The newspapers represent the public sentiment here, on the subject of taking pecuniary help for our poor, better than the action of the Mayor and official committees does. The only real argument in favor of taking the money is, that, if we refuse, it will appear as if we are too proud to do it. Now, I for one, would not be too proud to accept the help, if we really needed it; for I believe in the 'give and take' method. But the simple fact is, we can well afford to take care of the poor here, and the purposes for which money is most needed are not those for which aid sent from abroad could properly be devoted." We presume this represents the general opinion of the citizens of Boston.

The investigation of the burning of the steamer Missouri, which involved the loss of so many lives, although still pending, has proceeded far enough to unfold the secret of the disaster. A witness, on Saturday last, testified that a demijohn of spirits, which was tumbling about in the locker, immediately over the boiler, finally became broken, the spirits took fire from the boiler, and the flames immediately spread over the ship. The rest of the story, with its terrible loss of life, is only too well known to the public. As far as the investigation is concerned, it does not need to go further. It will be continued, however, to the end. A report will be made. There will be some newspaper comment, and there the matter will drop. And yet here is a record of carelessness and want of ordinary precaution which ought to be visited with severe punishment. If investigations are never to be followed by any practical results, and not only entail no punishment but suggest no remedies, it may well be asked, What is the use of investigations at all? There have been at least a dozen investigations of calamities similar to that of the Missouri, but has any one been punished? Have any additional precautions been taken with reference to preventing these disasters?

The Chicago produce markets were less active [illegible] and grain was generally easier. Mess pork was in moderate [illegible] and firm at $13.00 for new; @12.75@13.00 seller the month; and @12.30@12.40 seller December. Lard was more active, and firmer, at 7¼c cash, 7⅝c seller December, and 7⅝@8c seller March. Meats were quiet and steady at 4½c for part salted shoulders, 6¼@6⅜c for do short ribs, and 6¾@7c for do short clear. Sweet pickled hams nominal at 9¾@10½c. Highwines were quiet and steady at 89c per gallon. Lake freights were quiet and steady, at 11c for corn, and 12c for wheat, by sail to Buffalo. Flour was in good demand and a shade firmer. Wheat was less active, and 1½c lower, closing firmer at $1.08 seller the month and seller December. Corn was dull and ¼@¾c lower, closing at 31¾c seller the month, and 31¾c seller December. Oats were dull and easier, closing at 23c seller the month, and 23½c seller December. Rye was quiet and steady at 55c. Barley was less active, and easier, closing at 68c for No. 2, 66c for do seller the month, and 51c for No. 2. The hog market was more active, and advanced 5@10c. Sales were at $4.00@4.25. Cattle sold slowly at about 25c decline from Monday's prices. Sheep ruled quiet and steady.

MINORITY REPRESENTATION.

The first trial of the system of minority representation, as applied to the election of Representatives in the General Assembly, took place at our recent State election. The results are before us. In round numbers, the strength of the majority and minority parties in the State was in the proportion of 250,000 to 200,000. The whole number of Senators is 51, and of Representatives 153. Of the Senators who were chosen in the old style the Republicans have 33 and the Liberals 18, when, had they been chosen under the system of giving the minority their proportionate number, the Republicans would have had 28 and the Liberals 23. In the election of Representatives, the Republicans carried 33 districts, and under the ordinary system would have elected 99 Representatives, leaving to the Liberals 18 Senators and 54 Representatives. The actual result is 85 Republican and 68 Liberal Representatives. The result is precisely a fair representation of the two parties, according to their proportionate votes. The primary object of the Constitutional provision has been attained, with almost mathematical accuracy. Another object of the provision was to give the voters the opportunity of discriminating against an objectionable candidate by doubling their votes for an opposing candidate. The voters have availed themselves of this privilege to a large extent, and the effect is seen in various districts. As a rule, the Senators have been chosen by the party polling the larger vote for President in the several districts, and, as a rule, the party electing the Senator has also elected two of the three Representatives. But there are several exceptions to this general result.

In the Ninth Senatorial District, composed of Boone and Winnebago Counties, the Republicans elected all three Representatives, that being the only district in the State where there was such a result. In the Third Senatorial District, the Liberals elected their Senator by a small majority. The Republicans nominated only one candidate for representative; but the vote shows that, had they run two Representatives, and divided their vote equally between them, they could have elected both.

In the Fifteenth District, the Liberals elect the Senator, while the Republicans elect two Representatives; and, in the Thirty-seventh and Forty-fifth Districts, the Republicans elect the Senators, while the Liberals elect two Representatives in each district. In these districts the result on Senator was due to the personal popularity of the persons elected, who got more votes than their party.

In the Twenty-sixth, Thirty-fifth, and Forty-second Districts, the Liberals elected Senators, and the Republicans in each district elected two Representatives; while in the Forty-first, Forty-third, and Forty-fourth Districts, the Republicans elected the Senators, and the Liberals got the two members in each district. In these six districts the majority parties lost the second member, because of the zeal of the friends of candidates in making an unequal division of the votes. Had the voters of each party given to the candidates one and a half votes each, the party that elected the Senator would have elected two Representatives in that district. But, owing to the anxiety of one candidate to secure his own election beyond all doubt, and to the discrimination of the voters, the minority party (politically) in each of these six districts elected two of the three Representatives. In the Forty-ninth (St. Clair) District, the result is peculiar. The district gives majorities for Grant, Koerner, Black, for the Republican State ticket, and Congressmen, and elects a Liberal Senator and two Representatives.

But, after all these exceptional results, the next House of Representatives will be divided politically in the proportion of their respective votes of the two parties polled throughout the State.

There are a great many persons in the State who are disgusted with the result of minority representation. Nor are these confined to any one party. There are Republicans who refuse to understand why, in a district with a clear Republican majority, the minority should have any representation at all. On the other hand, there are Democrats who are disgusted with the thought that a Democratic county should be represented in the Legislature by one Democratic and two Republican members, as is the case in Sangamon. There are a number of defeated candidates who declare minority representation a humbug, and demand its repeal at the earliest possible time; but, on the whole, it has worked admirably; it has secured the great end sought, and has enabled the people, in many instances, to defeat objectionable candidates by the election of better men. The principle of minority representation has been fully vindicated by the results.

THE CASE OF PERI.

The Governor has commuted the punishment of Gregory Peri, now under sentence of death for murder, to imprisonment for life. This action is greatly to be deplored. The case of Peri was without an extenuating circumstance. On the day of the Great Fire, in the forenoon, he, without the slightest rational provocation, stabbed and killed two men. The act was cruel, malicious, and brutal. The men he murdered were peaceful, orderly, and respectable citizens. He was indicted separately for each murder. The jury in the first case had no doubt as to his guilt, or to the absence of all extenuating or palliating circumstances. There was no difference of opinion as to the guilt of Peri or as to the character of the crime. But, exercising the power given them by law, the jury fixed the penalty at imprisonment for life. He was subsequently tried for the second murder, and the jury was equally unanimous in opinion as to his guilt and to the atrocious character of the crime, and fixed the penalty of death by hanging. The point was made by his counsel that, having been sentenced under the first conviction, the judgment in the second case could not be executed until after the expiration of the first. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court, and that body, which gave new trials to Perteet and to Rafferty, decided that in Peri's case there was no legal defect in the proceedings, and that the sentence of death should be executed on the 6th of December.

The Governor has now intervened, and commuted this sentence to imprisonment for life. Under the circumstances, this commutation is equivalent to a pardon for the second murder, as the commutation adds nothing to the punishment imposed for the first murder. The action of the Governor is of incalculable injury to the cause of justice and of law. Its effect is to paralyze the arm of authority, and to encourage illegal violence. There has been no person convicted of murder in this district for many years who has been permitted to be hanged. From one cause or another, the convicted murderers have escaped. The first great wrong was the commutation of the sentence of Walsh, the wife-murderer. That was a case where the murder was without the slightest palliation. The Governor interposed. Murders have followed each other with fearful rapidity. Juries have in many cases exercised their power of clemency by sending the wretches to the Penitentiary for life. In the cases of Perteet, who murdered his wife, and Rafferty, who murdered an officer, justice has been defeated by legal defences founded upon technical errors in the proceedings. But, in the case of this man Peri, there was nothing that appealed to the most technical lawyer or sympathizing friend. He had basely murdered two inoffensive men in his own house without the least provocation. If ever there were a case where the Executive should have declined to interfere, or should have suppressed his objections to capital punishment, if he have any, this case of Peri was the one.

Justice, to command respect, must be impartial. It may be asked, Why should Perteet be hanged for the murder of his wife, when Walsh, who committed the same crime, was not? Why should Rafferty, who, when drunk, killed one man, be hanged, when Peri, who murdered two men, is sent to the Penitentiary. With what equity can juries or Courts hereafter sentence men to be hanged when this man, convicted of a double murder of the most atrocious kind, is taken from the gallows, and given his life? The conviction of Rafferty, and his sentence, with the probable execution of Peteet and Peri, had for a time the effect of checking violence in this city. Ruffianism thought that there was a serious purpose to punish murder. The fight is over; there is to be no more hanging in Chicago. After the release of Peri, Perteet and Rafferty cannot be hanged without treating them with a severity not shown to others more brutal than they.

HOW TO ANNEX CUBA.

The New York *Herald* advocates a discriminating duty of 100 per cent and upwards, on our importations from Cuba, as a means of abolishing slavery in that island, of so diminishing the revenue of Spain as to render her willing to relinquish it, and of securing its transfer to the United States. We think we have heard discriminating duties against the Canadians urged as a mode of starving the people of that province into seeking our fraternal embraces; but the operation, thus far, is as unsuccessful as that of the man who undertook to freeze his dog by holding him out of the window in a northeast storm. The *Herald's* argument is doubtless inspired either by parties interested in high duties on sugar or in Cuban annexation. It says:

> In 1868, of the whole six hundred and twenty thousand tons of sugar exported from the island in nine months only, from Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, the United States took nearly four hundred thousand tons, and during the same period, of three hundred and thirty thousand tons molasses, we took nearly two hundred and twenty thousand tons. The sugar crop for the year 1870-71 was five hundred and forty thousand tons, of which the United States received three hundred and twenty thousand tons. We may safely state that we consume on an average between sixty and seventy per cent of the Cuba crop of sugar and a greater percentage of the crop of molasses. This slave-labor sugar, under our present tariff, comes in direct conflict with our free labor, and realizes to the Cubans a larger profit than our own citizens can secure. On the other hand, Spain affords us no facilities or advantages in the Cuban markets. Her tariff discriminates against American imports, and the enormous duties are prohibitory of a great part of our products. Machinery and a few articles that cannot well be procured from home are the only things on which the Spanish tariff allows us a fair market in Cuba. Our Government thus directly encourages the manufacture of slave products in our immediate neighborhood, and gives life to the system of slave labor. If we were to place a duty of 100 per cent on the slave-labor sugars of Cuba, we should at once do much to loosen the hold of Spain upon the island and to strike the fetters from the limbs of the slaves. The loss of the American markets would be fatal to the present condition of affairs, and it would not be long before the island obtained its freedom or voluntarily sought an asylum within the Union. At all events, it is a policy which should commend itself to Republicans, unless their concern for the liberty of the negro has ceased with the enfranchisement of those of the race whose ballots are cast in the United States.

Supposing the *Herald* to be serious, let us consider the effect of such a project on the prices and production of sugar and molasses; on the feelings of the people of Spain and Cuba towards the United States, and on the institution of slavery in Cuba.

The duties on sugar and molasses at present are almost strictly revenue duties,—the American production which is favored by them being confined to Louisiana, and having a capacity of filling only one-tenth of the demand of our American consumers. These duties bring the Government some thirty millions of dollars and upwards annually, which the annexation of Cuba would oblige us to raise by other taxes. To increase the duties from their present rates of from 1¾ to 4 or 5 cents a pound (which may be from 15 to 60 per cent on the invoice price) to duties equivalent to 100 per cent, or say from 4 to 8 cents per pound, would, as a revenue measure, affect ourselves more largely than the Cubans. It would double the cost of sugar to ourselves, and as a protective measure would stimulate the manufacture of the inferior and dearer sugar that can be made from beets, corn, sorghum, and Louisiana cane. It would lessen the consumption of sugar in America; but whether the decrease in the importation would be sufficient to lessen the amount of our revenue under the increased duty, only the experiment itself would decide. The two-thirds of the Cuban product which is sold in the United States is nine-tenths of our supply, so that the effect upon our prices would be much more sharp and decisive than the effect on Cuban prices. While Cuba would still have the rest of the world to sell to, we, in order to prevent Cuban sugar coming to us through other channels, would have to put the duties on all foreign sugars up to the same mark. Cuba would still supply the world, except France and the small part of Europe where the beet is made to supersede the imported article. Probably, therefore, the selling price in Cuba would not decline at all, or only by a shade, while the purchasing price here would rise by something more than the duty. In short, in the increased cost of our sugar, we would be taxing ourselves forty to sixty millions a year, some portion of which,—how large could not now be predicted,—would go to the producers of beet, sorghum, cane, maple, and corn sugar here, as "profits" on those industries. The measure would irritate and embarrass Cuban sugar planters, and so would alienate their sympathies from us, but it could not possibly prevent them from continuing to raise sugar at a fair profit, though they would get far less than we would pay for it. Whatever would appear to the Cubans like legislating to impoverish them would, of course, bind them more closely to the Spanish throne. The Cubans can now see that if they were annexed to the United States they would send into this country, free of duty, the sugar and molasses on which thirty millions of duty are now paid, and would share with American consumers the profit arising from a cessation of the tax. If this inducement cannot win them to an annexation policy, it is quite certain that they would not be won by a tariff expressly designed to operate as a hostile measure. Of course, whatever binds the Cubans to Spain and cripples their industrial progress, must, at the same time, prolong the power of slavery.

THE WAREHOUSE FRAUDS.

We publish a letter elsewhere from a member of the Board of Trade, in reply to some strictures in our commercial columns on the action or non-action of the Board in cases of fraud like that recently discovered in the Munn & Scott Elevators. The writer takes various exceptions to these strictures. He alleges, for instance, that, since the Legislature has taken the control of warehouses out of the hands of the Board of Trade, and lodged it in the hands of a Board of Commissioners and other officers appointed by the Governor, it is not fair to hold the Board responsible for the management of warehouses. This may be very true, but the Board of Trade is none the less responsible for the character of its individual members, and it is none the less its duty to clear itself of members who are guilty of fraudulent practices, when such practices are made known and are matters of general public information. The writer says, again, that, since Munn & Scott have voluntarily retired from the Board, they cannot be expelled. But they should not have been allowed to retire voluntarily. It was due to the general character of the Board for honesty and fair-dealing that they should have been expelled, otherwise the hugest swindles may be perpetrated hereafter, with perfect impunity from the public shame of an expulsion and its consequent results, by voluntary retirement. The writer again says: "No formal complaint has been lodged against them upon which the Board can act." This may also be true; but was it not the duty of the Board, or some individual member of the Board, to lodge such a complaint, or, at least, ask for an investigation of charges which were matters of public rumor, and which seriously affected the character of the Board? It is true that the State has assumed the control of grain warehouses, and has thereby relieved the Board of Trade of general responsibility; but we do not see thereby that the Board is at all relieved from responsibility for the character of its members.

THE CRISIS IN FRANCE.

There were rumors in Paris yesterday that M. Thiers had resigned, and that Marshal MacMahon was his successor. Whether this be true or not, there is unquestionably a crisis in the Government of France, and M. Gambetta may claim the distinction of prime-mover in it. This gentleman is an agitator, and prone to opposition, because it gives him a prominence that he might not otherwise attain. During his brief career he has been found on all sides of French politics, and has vibrated between the partisanship of the Empire and the leadership of the Commune, always eloquent, but never steadfast nor statesmanlike. His speeches, delivered in the provinces before the recent French election, were the hinge upon which the threatened Governmental crisis is to turn. They were of a character to alarm the Conservatives, and among the first acts of the new Assembly was the motion of M. Changarnier, a Monarchist acting with the Right, that M. Thiers should be censured for his failure to suppress Gambetta's ultra utterances, and even to rebuke him for his needless agitation of the people. President Thiers, availing himself of his privilege of addressing the Assembly, defended himself from the aspersions of M. Changarnier, and demanded a vote of confidence. The result was not flattering to the President. The vote was postponed for a time by dilatory resolutions, and, when it was taken, at least one-third of the Deputies refused to vote at all, while one-third of those who did vote voted in the negative. The inference was that, if all the members had voted, President Thiers would have had a bare majority with him—perhaps not even this.

It is not unnatural that M. Thiers should be dissatisfied with this result. The telegraph tells us that he has passed sleepless nights, and asked for another vote. The action of the caucuses shows that the President is not in rapport with either faction of the Assembly. The members of the Right announce themselves as opposed to the proclamation of the Republic, though promising to abstain from any combination for the restoration of Monarchy. The position is decidedly equivocal. If the Right were honest in their promised abandonment of Monarchical schemes, the surest way to save themselves from temptation, and to satisfy the people, would be to favor the absolute decree of the Republic. On the other hand, the Left know that they cannot command the sympathy of M. Thiers, who, while he may not go out of his way to crush M. Gambetta (and he seems to have acted with good judgment in not doing it), is devoted to what the French understand by Conservatism,—that is, a strong Government, with paternal characteristics, and an army organization to enforce them.

M. Gambetta has not, so far, shown a desire to renew in the Assembly his oratorical struggles against the existing Government. He is reported as smiling significantly, and shrugging his shoulders, as if content with the mischief he has already done in the provinces. Nor does the Left feel itself strong enough to stand by Gambetta's ultra position, and it has even indicated a willingness to introduce certain constitutional measures, whose adoption should compensate for the feebleness of the vote of confidence, and render a second vote unnecessary. On the other hand, the Right have declared their willingness to make M. Thiers President for life, if he will take Conservative ground, by which is meant war upon M. Gambetta and his sympathizers, reorganize his Ministry, and forego his privilege of taking part in parliamentary debate. M. Thiers will scarcely accede to the latter proposition, and may yet find himself more in accord with the Left than with the Right, which would be a curious state of affairs. There seems to be sufficient concession on both sides to warrant a hope of compromise, which would result in a partial change of Ministry, the maintenance of the army strength, and the continuation of M. Thiers' Government, with about the same complications that have surrounded it heretofore. M. Thiers will hesitate long before actually resigning for the same reason that prompted him to threaten resignation frequently. He feels himself to be indispensable to the internal peace of France. The conclusion is inevitable, however, that a Republic must look forward to a dangerous crisis sooner or later, when its existence depends upon one man, and when a change of Government cannot be contemplated without referring, as M. Thiers does, to the fact that the army is strong enough to insure an orderly transmission of power.

The American interest in the Industrial Exposition, to be held in Vienna, in May, 1873, will be largely increased if the proposed protocol to the treaty between the United States and Austria shall be made and ratified. At present, the only protection afforded to American inventors and patentees in Austrian territory is when the patented article is manufactured and sold continuously in Austria. Under these circumstances, no American inventor can take his property to Austria for the purpose of exhibiting it, effecting a sale of it for that kingdom, or ascertaining whether it will be profitable or not for him to start a manufactory of it there, without running the risk of losing his exclusive right to the benefits that should attach to its invention. This condition of things has acted as a warning to American inventors who have been asked to forward their inventions to the coming exhibition, and it is now proposed to make a supplementary treaty guaranteeing to them the protection which they would have at home. While this will largely increase American representation at the Vienna Exposition, the results of such a treaty will be mutually beneficial to both countries in the future. The Austrian people will have the benefit of a wider inspection of American inventions, and American inventors will be able to introduce their articles to see whether they are adapted to the wants of Austria, without first incurring the expense of establishing factories or the risk of forfeiting their rights.

The appearance of Bronson Alcott's "Concord Days" reminds the *Galaxy* magazine of the curious contrast which the "Concord Philosophers," among whom Emerson, Thoreau, and Hawthorne were chiefs, with Alcott as scribe, present to the general characteristics of American life. They have, in their several ways, made constant protest against the materialism, the overwork, and intense application of the American people. Hawthorne's province was to cultivate the imagination, incite an admiration for the mysterious and beautiful, and led his friends, as he allowed himself to be led, into the realms of dream-land. Thoreau has devoted himself to opening up the beauties and enjoyments of Nature, the peace and happiness to be found in out-door life, and the thankfulness for life which communion with God's works ought to inspire. Emerson's range has been that of intellectual thought, and he has traced the intricacies of metaphysical investigation in a way to fascinate his followers with a like pursuit. Mr. Alcott, in his conversations and writings, has aimed to be the interpreter of the general school which these gentlemen have followed, each in his own way, and, though lacking their strength and vividness, has furnished hints and suggestions for the spread of the common philosophy that imitates in modern times the thought of Plato and Plutarch.

The Boston conflagration was the general theme of discourse in the New York pulpits last Sunday, and it is gratifying to see that, with but one exception, no references were made to the peculiar virtues of Boston and the peculiar vice of Chicago, as being the cause of the fire, most of the clergymen contenting themselves with drawing moral lessons from the fire, such as the fact that the rich are in reality no more independent than the poor, and the mutual dependence of each upon the other. The one exception was Rev. Mr. Graham, of the Seventh Avenue Presbyterian Church, who was inclined to regard the fire as a visitation of Divine wrath, which, of course, led him to the inevitable comparison with the Chicago fire. The inconsistency which the comparison involves he escaped in the following ingenious manner:

> It will be providential to the people of that city if they remember that God's honor and God's truth are far more important than the truth and honor and integrity and intellectuality of Boston or a thousand cities. Boston, with all its morality, was no better than Chicago, with all its wickedness. Here are two extremes. The one exceedingly wicked, and the other remarkable for morality, but for no genuine, Godlike, or Christianlike religion.

In other words, we presume that Chicago is to understand that, as her loss was four times greater than Boston's, therefore her wickedness is four times worse than Boston's morality, without any religion figuring in either case. As usual, we are ahead again.

The English newspapers have inaugurated a war against the practice of excessive tea-drinking. The *Lancet* gives three notable reasons why tea is unhealthful. 1. The large amount of hot water that is swallowed is prejudicial to digestion, and, if continued, to general nutrition. 2. The large amount of theine which it contains—a substance which is extracted by the boiling process, is a narcotic poison, and acts powerfully on the nerves. 3. The large amount of astringent matter that enters the body, which restrains the free flow of the secretions, and operates directly as a constipating agent. The *Lancet* holds that the symptoms arising from excessive tea-drinking agree perfectly with what might be expected from the properties pertaining to its ingredients as described. Tea-drinking, then, in the eyes of the new Prohibitionists of England, is only less injurious and hateful than the habitual use of alcohol in the eyes of the Prohibitionists of this country. Fortunately, however, the moderate use of tea does not threaten the excess, nor the excess the extent of evil, that the ordinary use of alcoholic drinks endangers.

Printers are becoming artists. We have seen the most astonishing diagrams prepared for newspapers in order to illustrate some particular topic, when there was no time to secure an engraving, made up from lines, dashes, stars, and the ordinary material of a composing room. Now the rigid rule of a prominent New York journal, prohibiting the use of display types in the advertising columns, has been successfully evaded by the ingenuity of the typos, who have taken the small agate and made it as available for the purposes of display as the largest job type could be. In one column there is an attractive succession of large stars, made up from little ones, beaming forth the name of the advertiser. In the next there is a succession of pyramids; then come graceful little signs, made from a combination of dashes. A system of marginal notes renders the next column unique, while another has the most grotesque variety that it is impossible to imagine coming from the use of one kind of type, —even large display letters being made up by an arrangement of the small and unobtrusive ones. The ingenuity of advertisers will overcome all rules.

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

Everything.

A. D. Simmons, Commercial Editor of the Kansas City *Times*, is at the Tremont.

Hon. Chas. A. Eldridge, of Fond du Lac, Wis., was at the Briggs yesterday.

William G. Corning, Albany, N. Y., registered at the Tremont, yesterday.

The Hon. T. W. Ferry, U. S. Senator from Michigan, was at the Tremont, yesterday.

J. A. Morey, of the Rochester *Union and Advertiser*, was at the Sherman yesterday.

Judge M. A. Merril, of De Witt, Iowa, registered at the Briggs House yesterday.

Hon. Charles Carpenter, of Hudson, N. Y., enjoyed the hospitalities of the Tremont yesterday.

General O. C. Barton and the Hon. A. C. Barstow, of Providence, R. I., were at the Tremont yesterday.

Hon. J. F. Farnsworth, of St. Charles, Ill., was among the arrivals at the Briggs yesterday.

H. M. Holden, President First National Bank of Kansas City, Mo., was a guest of the Tremont House yesterday.

C. Townesend, of the Townesend House, Oconomowoc, Wis., was at the Tremont House yesterday.

Mrs. Stanton's lecture, to-morrow evening, is one of the regular West Side Star course. Season ticket-holders will be cheerfully admitted.

The following were at the Briggs House, yesterday: A. L. Conger, Akron, Ohio; W. H. Briggs, Battle Creek, Mich.; E. D. Boynton, Boston; R. L. Armistead, Nashville, Tenn.; O. R. Post, Columbus, Ohio.

Miss Smiley, the Quaker preacheress, will give a Bible lesson, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, to the ladies of the West Side, in the parlors of the First Congregational Church, corner of West Washington and Ann streets.

The West Division Street Railway lines will experience a mild epizootic attack this morning. They will "run" from the different barns first. It is to be hoped, however uncharitable the hope may seem, they will run all over indefinitely.

A young man, named J. J. Robertson, was arrested by Detective Tyrrell, yesterday, on the charge of having robbed a boarder at the Briggs House of $100 and a watch. The exact number of bills were found upon him, and the victim of the theft claims that they are his.

On the Gardner House register yesterday were the following names: T. H. Tilton and wife, New York; W. S. Judd and H. M. Smith, Minneapolis; Jas. F. Woodman and J. D. Carter, Salt Lake City; H. F. McClosky and wife, Galena; S. E. Merwin, Jr., New Haven, Conn.; Geo. J. & S. P. Plant, St. Louis.

Two infant children belonging to Wenzel Pankort, residing on Twenty-ninth street, between Wentworth and Shields avenues, died on Tuesday morning from an attack of infantile convulsions. They were of different sexes, and aged between 1 and 2 months. An inquest was held yesterday.

Citizens of the West Side are not of a skeptical turn of mind. On the contrary they are willing to believe almost anything short of the evening papers. But one can scarcely expect them to give credence to the announcement that the West Division Street Car Company intend running out several vehicles to-day.

A man whose name could not be ascertained fell into the basin at the foot of Twelfth street, yesterday, while attempting to jump from one railroad bridge to another. He escaped drowning, owing to the shallowness of the water, but was injured internally, and had one of his fingers broken and badly frozen. A policeman assisted him to the County Hospital.

The Literary and Debating Society of the Chicago Christian Union will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Union Rooms, No. 758 Michigan avenue, this evening. The programme includes music, reading, and conversation upon some topic of general interest. The club has had considerable accessions to its membership roll, including many ladies, and promises to be a decided success.

The Board of Public Works issued the following building permits yesterday: John H. Kedzie, 4-story and basement stone front, 50x70 feet, Nos. 120 and 122 East Randolph street; Brown Bros., 4-story and basement stone front, 23x76 feet, No. 129 Dearborn street; Brown Bros., 4-story and basement stone front, 25x80 feet, No. 119 South Clark street; H. B. Hurd, 5-story and basement stone front, 24x136 feet, No. 52 East Lake street.

Professor Youmans, the brilliant scientific writer and eloquent lecturer, who has lately done so much toward popularizing the abstruse principles of science by his management of *The Popular Science Monthly*, is announced to deliver the next lecture in the South Side Star Course, on Monday evening, in the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church.

It is claimed that further evidence has been found to prove that Michael Hogan, the sailor who has been before Commissioner Hoyne several times during the past week on the charge of passing a counterfeit $50 bill, has been dealing extensively in this sort of money, and has succeeded in victimizing several small tradesmen. He will be examined by the Commissioner again to-day.

An old-fashioned New England supper will be given this evening at the Ada Street Methodist Episcopal Church, to be followed by a musical and literary entertainment, in which several of our best amateur vocalists and eloquentionists will take part. The tickets of admission are only 75 cents. The proceeds of the entertainment are to be devoted to the completion of the church building.

Has not the Superintendent of the Western avenue street car barn rendered himself open to a charge of insanity. He declared to a reporter, yesterday, that the West Division cars would commence running to-day. Such trifling, such extravagant language, must lead one to imagine that the recent afflictions of the Company have turned the Superintendent's brain, or rendered him utterly reckless as to what he says.

When the epi-zootic first attacked the poor horses of this city, the warning sounded through the columns of THE TRIBUNE was "Look to your horses." This warning must again be given, for different reasons. The West Side Car Company intend running two or three vehicles on their main lines to-day, and so unusual a sight upon those thoroughfares is liable to scare the horses into permanent insanity.

The raising of the dead to life is supposed to be beyond the skill of modern humanity. But why should we despair of achieving it now. The West Side Railway Company, which has been so long defunct that its car tracks are buried beneath the superincumbent soil, fathoms down, has been resuscitated, and two or three cars are expected to run be run between State street and Western avenue to-day.

We learn that the very valuable property adjoining on the east the Chamber of Commerce is to be immediately improved by Mr. Colehour, with a building worthy the site. The Washington-and Exchange place fronts will be devoted to very handsome suites of offices. The great size of the lot gives a large interior area, which it is proposed to devote to a large hall. The billiardists are naturally after it, lest we [illegible] hope that Mr. Colehour will carry out his [illegible] idea of a beautiful and commodious [illegible] in this best of all possible central locations [illegible] the purpose. Our public would make [illegible] taking a paying one. No institution has [illegible] more needed in Chicago for the past few [illegible]

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Because of a broken switch three [illegible] trains running north on the Illinois Central Railroad yesterday morning from 9:00 to 2:00. Those passengers who waited at the various station-houses for two hours were not in a very pleasant mood, even when the train arrived. Certain frisky merchants declared that they would patronize the road no longer; learned counsel talked of an action on the case for damages; and many school children feared that the result of the broken switch would be a postponement of the day of doom, but whether [illegible] but themselves for the manner in which they had been treated. There were evils in the South, they must remedy them themselves; the people of the North would do nothing except extend a little moral sympathy. Mr. Beam spoke of woman suffrage, and, overflowing with eloquence, declared: "If there is a shot in the arsenal of Hell or a dose in the laboratory of Heaven that would make a sweeter meal for the people of South Carolina than negro suffrage, I'll be eulogized General Grant, and spoke disparagingly of Mr. Greeley, asserting that the latter was politically dead, and associating him with some ancient individual's dog. In conclusion he urged the soldiers of the country to stand shoulder to shoulder, and, if necessary, to shoot their muskets from the shoulder, and, if necessary, to shoot their muskets from the shoulder, and, if necessary, to shoot their muskets from the shoulder, and, if

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It is not a rare thing in Chicago to find unusual enterprise. The wonderful sagacity of its citizens, and their intrepid ventures in many ways, have rendered them a byword to the world. To chronicle even their mightiest achievements would be an awful undertaking. Let us show the world in few words what a city we are. One week after the South and North Division Railroad Companies have resumed business on the lines, the West Division Company, supposed by the world to be dead, and buried deeper than political honesty, or the tomahawk between Messrs. Storey and Scammon, promise to run two or three cars to-day.

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Because of a broken switch there were no trains running north on the Illinois Central Railroad yesterday morning from 7:30 to 10:30. Those passengers who waited at the various station-houses for two hours were not in a very pleasant mood, even when the train came along. Certain frisky merchants declared they would patronize the road no longer; learned doctors and divorce-law talked of an action on the case for damages; and many school children feared that the result of the broken switch would be a whipping over their backs. It is to be hoped the Central Company will allow no such delays, for, beside the results above noted, it is rumored that when a young married gentleman and a young lady are compelled to engage in a two hours' talk some morning, the result is infelicity in the household circle.

An insane man rushed into Police Headquarters yesterday morning, and, meeting Superintendent Washburn, informed him that (the insane man) was the victim of a foul conspiracy, and that he was being pursued by a relentless foe who was certain to murder him. In order to postpone his tragic death as long as possible, he had purchased a revolver with which to assail the enemy as soon as possible, despatch him. He was afraid, however, that the weapon would go off at both ends upon the slightest provocation, and thus bring about the very catastrophe he hoped to avert. The Superintendent assured him that there was no danger of such an accident, as the revolver was provided, to all appearances, an extremely well-regulated engine of destruction. It was ascertained before the demented person left that his name was S. B. Kehoe, and that his friends resided in the corner of Ladin and Harbine streets. They were sent for, and their unfortunate relative was removed to the County Jail, preparatory to examination before Judge Wallace to-day.

The miserable street-car conductors might well exclaim, "After the epizootic, what?" The reply was brought into THE TRIBUNE office by a friend in human form. He did not resemble a fiend, and but for his invention might have been mistaken for a clever sort of a mortal. But the invention lifted his character at once. It is a machine like a protracted boiler of small end with a dial inclosed, and a handle. When a fare is paid, the conductor is supposed to push the handle, and sound the inclosed gong. The dial meanwhile marks one. Every time a fare is paid this process is continued, until "one thousand" is marked. Then the automatic machine starts afresh at "one." To cheat the company, the conductor can do as follows: Ring one 100 fares to be marked. Let the conductor retire to the nearest alley, pull out the check, and strike off to a thousand. He can do this in two minutes at Western avenue, or Thirty-fourth street, and then add 50 more to show his leniency. The other 50 fares he can judiciously pocket. We would not recommend him to do this, however, unless his hands are dirty and he is generally imprudent, for there is a bomb concealed in the machine which explodes when 1,000 is reached, and kills the operator promptly.

BEAM, THE WARRIOR.

How He Re-Fought the Battles of the Rebellion Last Night—Is the G. A. R. a Political Association?

A public meeting of Ransom Post, Grand Army of the Republic, was held at Forrester Hall, No. 82 West Randolph street, last evening. Junior Vice Commander Guild occupied the chair, and faced about one hundred people. The object of the assembling proved to be a reunion, and, as one of the speakers remarked, to congratulate one another on the resurrection of their old commander, General Grant. General Logan was announced to deliver an address, but as he failed to make his appearance a Mr. Beam was introduced. The latter gentleman is very young and enthusiastic, and entertained (?) the audience for an hour and twenty minutes. His speech was remarkable for diffuseness and disconnectedness. He took a roll for a moment on the "snow-clad Lookout mountain," and then floundered among the swamps of Florida, recovering himself only to tramp through the cane-brakes of South Carolina. What he was trying to prove or what he wishes to say, it was impossible to tell. A sentence here and there seemingly led to the conclusion that there would still many men above ground who fought in the late war, and that they had been abused somebody for meeting at Pittsburgh and organizing the nomination of General Grant. The speaker gave some good advice to the rising while admitting that they had just cause to complain of the carpet-bag rulers,—the meanest and basest men in the North had got the South,—he claimed that the people south of Mason and Dixon's line could blame no one but themselves for the manner in which they had been treated. There were evils in the South, and they must remedy them themselves; the people of the North could do nothing except extend the moral sympathy. Mr. Beam spoke of negro suffrage, and, overflowing with eloquence, exclaimed: "If there is a shot in the arsenal of Hell or a dose in the laboratory of Heaven that would make a sweeter meal for the people of South Carolina than negro suffrage," he theologized General Grant, and spoke disparagingly of Mr. Greeley, asserting that the latter was politically dead, and associating him with some ancient individual's dog. In conclusion he urged the soldiers of the country to stand shoulder to shoulder, and, if necessary, to use their muskets from the hooks on the wall and draw their sabres from their rusty scabbards to maintain the victory they had won, and the reconstruction acts and the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments; they should defend them themselves when attacked by demagogues, and would in the widows and orphans of the fallen. Comrade Butter then made a brief address, asserting that the Grand Army of the Republic was not a political organization; charity was its corner-stone. He appealed to those present who were not already members to unite themselves with their comrades, that they might keep alive the fraternity principles, that there is a bond concealed in the machine which explodes when 1,000 is reached, and kills the operator promptly.

Fifteen to Twenty Dollars Saved.

Any one wishing a first-class sewing machine can save from fifteen to twenty dollars by the strategy of choosing a Wilson Improved Under-feed machine, one of the most perfect and capable machines ever invented. It has every valuable improvement that can be named, and as all its friends know, works with equal facility in all classes of work, from all kinds of goods. It is sold for the people's use alone, and its proprietors do not belong to any combination organized for the purpose of keeping sewing machines up to fancy prices. Salesroom at No. 277 West Madison street, Chicago, and all other cities in the United States. The company want agents in every town.

The Musical College.

It should not be forgotten that the Chicago Musical College opens on the West side, Monday, Nov. 25, at 416 West Adams street, opposite Jefferson Park, South Side College, No. 493 Wabash avenue. Dr. Root, President; F. Ziegfeld, Director.

THE HORSES.

The Time Believed to be Passed When Dropsy is to be Apprehended.

Announcement Extraordinary---Sensation for West Siders---The Cars Will Commence Running To-Day.

The two days have now passed during which it was expected the *purpura* would develop to an alarming extent. A circuit of the public barns yesterday showed that such expectations were futile. Every horse afflicted with this disease was found in a convalescing condition, and no barns reported an increase in the number of dropsical cases.

Neither have those animals received injury which were exposed to the melting snow of Tuesday, but came out of their various barns yesterday morning without a sign of returning debility.

There was much gratification expressed at this result by the superintendents of the various street railway and omnibus lines, the horses of which were out on Tuesday, for they had not been confident but that the exposure would do their stock real injury. They now are of general belief that this city is to escape the severity with which the *purpura* has raged in New York.

It is just possible that, had the damp weather of Tuesday continued through yesterday, the horses exposed to it would have received serious injury, but, happily, on Tuesday night the rainclouds were chased away by the breath of returning winter, and yesterday morning the sun rose clear and bright, resulting in a day most favorable for our convalescing equines.

It is well known that THE TRIBUNE is a paper not given to the publishing of so-called sensational articles, and that "space" is too valuable to be taken up with matter which "fills" but does not recommend. But it has become the duty of THE TRIBUNE to make an announcement of so startling a character, that in so doing it runs a decided risk of losing its character as a journal of accurate and reliable information.

The announcement is, that this day, the 21st of November, 1872, the West Side Street Car Company will resume partial travel over their Madison street line, which piece of welcome information was given to a TRIBUNE reporter, yesterday morning, by the foreman of the Western avenue stables. The reporter trusts that if no cars shall appear upon this track to-day, it will be presumed by the readers of THE TRIBUNE, not that he is guilty of originating the above report, but that its non-fulfillment is due to the continued deliberations of the West Side Company.

Yesterday showed no development of the epizootic among the chickens. During the silent watches of Tuesday night, and at the rising of the sun yesterday morning, the chanticleers of the city and vicinity held their usual jubilees, and there was observed no increased mortality, although Dr. Branson says that this will come when the disease shall further develop, which, he says, will be about one week from to-day. If this information proves true, Thanksgiving will be made even more mournful than it generally is.

THE LAW COURTS.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Charles B. Ubeller, saloon-keeper, of No. 221 West Randolph street, is a joker of no common order, if a petition for capias, filed early yesterday morning, is to be believed; and one whose joking bids fair to pull him up with a short turn unless he speedily succeeds in the facetious pastime of paying his debts. Messrs. Hopkins and Higgins, of Louisville, Ky., the petitioners, affirm that their agent called on Ubeller, on the 20th April last, to solicit business, but Ubeller was stiff and would do no business except on credit. To all other terms of accommodation the independent Ubeller turned a deaf ear; he could afford, he hinted, to do business where he liked; all the whiskey-makers, he intimated, were breaking their hearts to open an account with him. He threw off, for the entertainment of the agent, a few of the reasons why his favors were in such demand; as for instance, he was worth a cool $30,000; he had invested $9,000 in his business; he owned ten acres of land outside the city limits, worth $12,000 per acre, and held a mortgage on Hyde Park property for $6,000. Enough! the agent gave the credit. In process of time, the goods, amounting in value to $2,456, were delivered; and then came the question of arranging the terms of payment, in the course of which, the firm discovered that as soon as the property had been received Ubeller mortgaged two-thirds of it to the First National Bank, that his business was insolvent, that he owned no property, certainly not within 50 miles of Chicago, and held no mortgage on Hyde Park property. The firm having further discovered that this joker was getting rid of his stock as fast as possible, resolved to apply for a capias ad respondem, which was duly issued.

Richard Dooley, a juvenile and diminutive specimen of the free and independent Chicagoan, by his next friend, yesterday sued the city for damages. It appeared from the address of the counsel for the infantile claimant, that the authorities had barbarously, and wickedly, and no doubt designedly, permitted the city to abound with man-traps, into one of which the little boy fell, and broke his arm, or splintered it, or made it stiff, or did something or other with it that nothing less than a very considerable sum of money could compensate him for. The counsel on the other side having, however, produced an idea in the minds of the jurors that the claim was nothing but a transparent sort of dodge to extort money, and that the little boy's limbs were to all appearance as sound as those of so frail an object could well be, they returned a verdict, shortly before 6 o'clock, for the defendant, Whereupon the plaintiff moved for a new trial.

Charles J. Vogell and David C. Shepherd *v.* Thomas K. Adams, Ralph C. Smith, H. W. Clarke, and the Cook County National Bank of Chicago. This is a bill, introduced in the Superior Court, yesterday, praying for an injunction restricting the defendants from proceeding to collect interest on a $9,000 bond, dated May 9, 1873, and from assigning or negotiating the same, or sending it without the jurisdiction of the court. The bond was given to secure payment of real-purchase money of land on Manitou Island, Lake Michigan, which defendant Adams sold to plaintiff, but the only interest he had in which, it now appears, was part ownership in a lawsuit for its possession.

Michael Fitzgerald yesterday petitioned the United States District Court (bankruptcy side) to allow the insurance, $2,700, on his burnt dwelling, No. 130 West Harrison street, in the Home Insurance Company, in bankruptcy, to stand as a set-off against a debt of $1,607.50 due that company on a note and trust deed. The answer of the assignee confessed the facts, and the papers were referred to the Register to take proofs.

William T. Rogers yesterday obtained an injunction restraining the removal or sale of any of the effects of the Revere House, North Halsted street, he alleging that he entered into partnership with Montague, the ostensible proprietor, that Montague's proceedings are unsatisfactory to him, and that the creditors will probably obtain control of the property. He therefore prays a dissolution of the partnership, and the appointment of a Receiver.

Patrick Farley was tried, yesterday, before Judge Rogers, for assaulting Bridget, the wife of Michael Phillips; damages laid at $2,000. An immense array of neighbors, anxious to be called as witnesses, was gathered together.

Judge Williams yesterday granted a certificate of good moral character to Firman Church, on the recommendation of H. N. Hibbard.

Anna, the widow and administratrix of John Brackin, yesterday commenced an action in the Superior Court, in trespass on the case, damages $10,000, against the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad.

New suits were so numerous, and so interesting, yesterday, that a perusal of the record will be found unusually good reading, and will save the necessity of recapitulation here.

P. & R. Cash yesterday obtained a *capias* against Albert Jones, for a debt of $955.66 on the allegation that Jones is rapidly disposing of his goods for the purpose of leaving the city and State.

Mary C. McCracken, and James W. McCracken, her husband, yesterday entered assumpsit suit in the United States Circuit Court against Franklin D. Cossitt, damages $35,000.

Dement, Gray & Beare, well-known shorthand writers, who have had considerable experience in the courts, yesterday commenced business on their own account.

Judge Jameson rejoiced many old friends by making a flitting visit to the courts yesterday. He is slowly proceeding towards convalescence.

It is understood that the Grand Jury of the United States Courts have returned two indictments. As the arrests have not yet been made, the names cannot be made public.

Alexis Poutre yesterday commenced suit against the Northwestern Railway Company, laying his damages at $10,000, in trespass on the case.

John Connolly yesterday commenced suit, in the Superior Court, against William Hearson, for an assault with a pick-axe; damages, $10,000.

Interesting bankruptcy proceedings will be found so fully described in the record below, that they need no amplification here.

For the railroad condemnation verdicts, yesterday, see record under the head Booth, J., Circuit Court, common law.

Charles H. Hurd, yesterday, commenced assumpsit suit against Asa Vail in the Circuit Court; damages, $30,000.

There was a further examination of witnesses in the matter of Wichelman, in bankruptcy, yesterday.

It was default day with Judge Tree, yesterday, and a great deal of business was the result.

THE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

[Judge Blodgett.]

LAW—673—Haugh *v.* Woodruff; jury trial resumed.

CHANCERY—147—Walker *v.* Wentworth; by agreement leave to complainant to file copy of bill and affidavit in lieu, etc., and leave to defendant to answer. 630—Rafferty *v.* Mallory; decree to be entered as prepared.

NEW SUITS.

Henry and Frederick J. L. Brandy *v.* Robert Peacock; assumpsit, $1,500; Dunning & Easton, attorneys. Mary C. McCracken and James W. McCracken, her husband, *v.* Franklin D. Cossitt; assumpsit, $35,000; Bonney, Fay & Grigg, attorneys.

THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

[Judge Blodgett.]

706—Great Western Insurance Company *v.* Libby; motion of defendant to continue overruled. 668—Smith *v.* Jenkins, assignee; leave to defendant to withdraw demurrer, and to file answer, 720 (Admiralty)—Naftzger *v.* same "Mary;" settled; costs paid, and dismissed.

BANKRUPTCY—1,022—Chicago Fibre and Paper Company; account of P. Crandon, assignee, approved, and assignee discharged. 1,004—Home Insurance Company; petition of Michael Fitzgerald, and answer thereto, referred to Register, 2,236—May *v.* Clegg; on motion of petitioner, by Mr. Witten, dismissed, unless objections are filed in ten days. 2,139—George Robinson; discharged. 1,976—State Insurance Company; order referring claim on a note of indebtedness held by the National Insurance Company to Register Hibbard to take proof (as printed in yesterday's TRIBUNE). 2,035—George W. Robinson; order to be prepared. 1,803—Henry P. Baker; filed order of sale, and order that Farnsworth be the sale. 2,147—George Dement; adjudication by default; R. E. Jenkins to be provisional assignee.

NEW SUITS.

Raymond G. Manners *v.* "Gem;" libel for wages, $310; Leary & Bentley, proctors.

NEW BANKRUPTS.

2,051—Harriet E. Collins; voluntary petition. The debts are all small; Jr. Leake, attorney. 2,052—H. E. Hubbard, on the petition of Murray & Morgan, of New York; L. S. Hodges, attorney. Petitioners employed a person to look into the affairs of the debtor, who found that he was selling off his new stock of boots and shoes, bought of petitioners, at Gore's auction house, and that he had already paid $1,200 to creditors who were threatening him, out of the proceeds. 2,153—John Bunnell, on the petition of John J. Kyle. Claim on an unpaid note. The debts are about $30,000, and the assets $10,000. J. Hy. Truman, attorney.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

[Judge Gary.]

LAW—3,828—Farwell *v.* Baldart; dismissed by plaintiff's attorney. 1,937—Vilmor *v.* Gray et al.; demurrer to fifth plea in bar sustained, demurrer; demurrer to plea in abatement to third count sustained, and leave to defendants to plead over to issue, and by first day of next term. 1,958—Same *v.* same; general issue, motion of defendant for leave to amend plea to demurrer; on motion of plaintiff, plea in abatement stricken out, and demurrer to third plea sustained; leave to plead to third count by first day of next term. 3,174—Taylor *v.* Smith; submitted to Court, to be taken up on five days' notice. 1,822—MacVeagh *v.* Mayer; judgment, $43.70. 2,179—Lobrecht *v.* Conger; demurrer and issue joined; case placed before cause reached for trial on calendar. 2,900—Spencer *v.* Commercial Insurance Company; default, and judgment $10,000. 2,930—Howe *v.* Same; default, and judgment $2,106.67. 1,954—Chambers *v.* Ritchoff; on his motion filed, and by stipulation, dismissed as to Winston. 3,033—Howe *v.* Same; dismissed by plaintiff's attorney. 2,630—Ransom *v.* Hayes; judgment, $115.65. 1,276—Kehr *v.* Childs; finding by Court for plaintiff; damages $733.04 and judgment; general and special execution. 3,794—Marder *v.* Sutterlin; dismissed by plaintiff's attorney. James McKindley *v.* Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; by stipulation cause withdrawn, and judgment, property in plaintiff, and plaintiff to pay all costs. 2,443—Jensen *v.* Thompson; by stipulation cause referred. G. N. 1,266—Meyer & Girves *v.* Same; plaintiff to file petition; and order of publication. G. N. 41,367—Same *v.* same; same order. 1,938—Beckwith *v.* Hobey; default and judgment $99.03 *v.* D. B. Hovey, and sci. fa. vs. Richard Dooley. City; jury trial, verdict not guilty; and motion for new trial.

[Judge Gary.]

CHANCERY—937—Beuhler *v.* Hauser; service on all, default, A. R. Stevenson appointed guardian, and for Frederick, Louisa, Emma, Edward, and Mary Kleistein; answer filed, and reference to Magruder. 1,020—Herbig *v.* Mers; service by summons on all except Edward Knauer; appearance of him entered by his solicitor; on motion of complainant leave to amend bill, and summons issued. 1,071—Same *v.* same; answer, and reference to Magruder. 1,010—Burnham *v.* Lamar Insurance Company; on motion of complainant leave to amend bill by making People's Insurance Company of San Francisco a party defendant. Hypolite Lejeune *v.* Foncelet et al.; leave to complainant to file substantial copy of bill in lieu, etc. 820—Burgess *v.* Munn; leave to amend bill, and appearance of Fred. J. Abbey and John A. Bartlett enter answer and disclaimer of L. S. Pierce, and rule on defendant to answer amended bill in 10 days. 328—Houghton *v.* Houghton; Mary McMullen to appear at 2 p. m. to-day, before Magruder, as a witness, or show cause on Saturday.

NEW SUITS.

41,357—Henry R. McDonald *v.* The American Bridge Company; assumpsit, $1,000; Carter, Booker & Dale, attorneys. 41,358—Frank Douglas Machinery Company *v.* John C. Fuller; assumpsit, $1,000; same attorneys. 41,359—Henry Reinhardt *v.* Julius Bauer and Herman Bauer; assumpsit, $500; same attorneys. 41,360—C. B. Roger & Co. *v.* Isaac Rapp; assumpsit, $500; same attorneys. 41,361—Frances A. Caldwell; divorce. 41,362—Thomas *v.* Sarah J. Hawk; divorce. 41,363—Thirsea E. *v.* John Cullen; divorce. 41,364—James M. Hopkins and Richard H. Higgins *v.* Charles A. Dheller; petition for capias for a debt of $2,456.62. 41,365—Wm. A. Simpson, Hy. S. Howell, and Joseph Simpson *v.* Louis Hinck and Paul Boettcher; assumpsit, $1,000; Richby & Lauder, attorneys. 41,366—Elizabeth, administratrix of the estate of Charles E. Boyer, *v.* Harrison Giveon; petition to supply record; H. F. Valette, attorney. 41,367—Same *v.* same; same. 41,368—C. J. Vogel et al. *v.* E. Adams et al.; injunction. 41,369—Gregory, Strader & Co. *v.* John Bloteon; assumpsit, $500; Morsa & English, attorneys. 41,370—A. C. Greenebaum *v.* B. B. Harrison; attachment for $261.88 on two promissory notes; James Bryan, attorney. 41,371—Charles H. Beckwith et al. *v.* O. C. Chase; assumpsit, $350; Rich & Noble, attorneys. 41,372—William T. Rogers *v.* Albert H. Montague, William Forsyth, Jr., and Walter J. Watson; injunction, restraining the defendants selling, removing, or otherwise disposing of the property, effects, or furniture of the Revere House, 45, 48, and 50 North Halsted street, and to appoint a Receiver; Sawin & Wells, attorneys. 41,373—E. W. Blatchford and C. Gates *v.* Buffalo Smelting and Refining Company; assumpsit $2,000; David Fales, attorney. 41,374—Aaron F. Wells *v.* Delos D. Eldridge; petition to establish and confirm title; Richardson & Hill, attorneys. 41,375—James McGinley *v.* Louis Hyman; assumpsit $500; Spafford, McDaid & Wilson, attorneys. 41,376—John Jones *v.* Baltach Smelting and Refining Company; assumpsit $1,000; John J. Bennett, attorney. 41,377—Thos. O'Leary *v.* Patrick O'Connell, trespass $300; Leary & Beattie, attorneys. 41,378—John Connelly *v.* Wm. Hearson; trespass, $10,000; same attorneys. 41,379—Anna, administratrix of the estate of John Brackin, deceased, *v.* The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company; case, $10,000; same attorneys. 41,380—David S. Sears and Catherine E. Whisler et al.; petition for mechanics lien; Horace Bennett, solicitor. 41,381—Charles Cooper and Jacob Reinhold *v.* James B. Batchelder; assumpsit, $500; Hutchinson & Luff, attorneys. 41,382—Hall's Safe and Lock Company *v.* A. May, Mary May, B. E. Gallup, and F. A. Hoffman; petition for mechanic's lien; E. Washburn, attorney. 41,383—Peter C. Campbell *v.* E. M. Chase & Ole Olsen; petition for mechanic's lien. 41,384—George Holdstock and Thomas Critchley *v.* David R. Fraser, Thos. Chambers, or Fraser, Chalmers & Co.; assumpsit, $600; Thomas Shirley, attorney. 41,385—Geo. H. Cole *v.* McAllaster Ellis & Bro.; judgment by confession on a note for $272.54. 41,386—Charles Gardner *v.* David N. Brown; attachment for $750; Miller, Frost & Lewis, attorneys.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

[Judge Rogers.]

LAW—269—Burchell *v.* Wright; jury return sealed verdict for defendant. 2,313—Singer Manufacturing Company *v.* Knickerbocker Insurance Company; dismissed as to defendants' costs for want of bond for. 782—McPhillips *v.* Farley; jury called. 1,751—South Park Commissioners *v.* Cook; leave to file amended petition *nunc pro tunc* as of Aug. 7; trial not concluded.

[Judge Booth.]

LAW—1,676—Wayman *v.* McCarty; motion for additional security continued till Friday. 2,624—Bishop *v.* Leon; leave to Jeremiah D. Dean to file intervening petition. 2,500—Allen *v.* Judson; judgment *v.* defendant by agreement for $156.68. 716—Storey *v.* Sheehan; leave to reply double, and case struck off calendar. 2,662—Leedom *v.* Ray; demurrer to second plea on abatement sustained. 1,329 — Overs *v.* Riverside Improvement Company; leave to make John J. Rogers and Thos. Hoyne parties defendants and summons to issue. 1,555—C. C. & I. C. R. R. *v.* McAulay et al.; appeal of respondents Folies-Dramatiques in Paris, which is well spoken of.

A new opera, by M. Salomon, a Danish composer, the title of which is "The Fugitive of Estrella," will shortly be produced at Stockholm.

Madame Adelina Patti on her way to St. Petersburg, promised the Director of the National Opera House at Pesth to perform thrice on her return from the Russian capital. Madame Nilsson-Rouzaud has left Paris for St. Petersburg.

While the "Princess of Trebizonde" was being played recently at the Belfast Theatre Royal, an actress being encored, gave "Kathleen Mavourneen" instead of Offenbach's air, which had brought out the cheers of the audience.

The *Choir* states that the question of the adoption of a uniform pitch is now being agitated in Italy, where artists are objecting strongly to the "uses" existing at the various theatres. The authorities of La Scala have, it is said, resolved to adopt the French standard.

Our foreign exchanges inform us that the female choristers at the Czech National Theatre, Pesth, recently struck. The cause was an alleged insult offered them by the manager. The ladies considered it incompatible with their "professional honor" for the manager to announce them in the bills as "Sbor zenskych" ("Female Chorus"), and not as "Sbor Dam" ("Ladies' Chorus").

A little episode marked the last appearance at Pesth of Herr Theodore Wachtel, who has been filling a short engagement there. The part was that of Lionel, in Flotow's opera of "Martha." In the duet of the second act, Herr Wachtel made a mistake, and began with the second verse instead of the first. This, of course, threw the orchestra into a state of confusion more confounded. Fortunately, Herr Wachtel took the only sensible course open to him; he left off singing, but, at the same time gave the audience to understand, by an unmistakable shake of the head, that it was the orchestra who was to blame. At the fall of the curtain, however, when the conductor and the leading members of the orchestra had rushed on the stage to demand satisfaction for the unmerited aspersion cast on them, Herr Wachtel changed his tone entirely, and eat humble pie to the very fullest extent. He made a most ample apology, and said that such an accident had never happened to him before, since he had been on the stage. Next day he broke off his engagement, and left for Vienna.

M. de Mirandel has just published an exceedingly curious letter, written by Rossini in reply to a young artist who consulted him as to the best manner of composing an overture:

"1st recipe. Wait till the evening before the first performance. Nothing excites inspiration like necessity; the presence of a copyist waiting for your work, and the view of a manager in despair, tearing out his hair by handfuls. In Italy in my time all the managers were bald at 30. 2d. I composed the overture to 'Othello' in a small room in the Barbaja Palace, where the baldest and most ferocious of managers had shut me up by force with nothing but a dish of macaroni, and the threat that I should not leave the place alive till I had written the last note. 3d. I wrote the overture to 'Gazza Ladra' on the day of the first performance in the upper loft of the La Scala, where I had been confined by the manager, under the guard of four scene-shifters, who had orders to throw my text out of the window bit by bit to copyists, who were waiting below to transcribe it. In default of music I was to be thrown out myself. 4th. For 'Barbiere' I did better. . . composed no overture, but tacked on one intended for a very serious work, called 'Elisabetta.' The public were delighted. 5th. I composed the overture to 'Count Ory' when angling, with my feet in the water, and when in the company of M. Aguado, who was talking Spanish-finance all the time. 6th. That of 'Guillaume Tell' was written under somewhat similar conditions. 7th. I did not compose any overture for 'Moise,' &c."

A catalogue has been printed at Naples of the MSS., autographs, and relics collected by the late Thalberg. It is one of the richest lists ever formed by a private person, and such treasures ought to be deposited in some national institution. The names specified are Beethoven, Gluck, Haydn, Handel, Mozart, Hummel, Hasse, Spohr, Bach, Mendelssohn, Schubert, Weber, J. B. Arnold, T. Attwood, Bellini, Cherubini, C. Kreutzer, J. Mathesons, Meyerbeer, Pergolese, Reichs, B. Romberg, J. J. Rousseau, Salieri, Czerny, Rossini, Nicolai, J. Field, M. Clementi, etc.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Financial News.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Money, which was very stringent during the morning, call loans being done at ¼ per day, declined to ⅛ gold on the acceptance of $5,000,000 of bonds by the Treasury. It subsequently hardened to 1-32 per day, but closed at 5@7 per cent. Discounts are close, 12 per cent being the inside rate for prime.

Sterling firmer under an improved demand, and the decreased supply of bills, 108¼@108¾ for sight, and 110 for long.

Gold was quiet and heavy; fell to 113¾, advanced to 113¾, again declined, closing at 113@113¼. Loans footed up $16,000,000 and exchange, $4,000,000. Clearings, $28,000,000. Treasury disbursements, $302,700. Export of specie, $99,000 in silver bars. It is reported that the Government has called in for to-morrow 10 per cent of the $4,000,000 of greenbacks recently placed on deposit with the National Banks.

Governments quiet and steady. The Treasury purchases will all be paid for in legal-tenders.

State bonds dull and steady, with Tennessees very strong.

Stocks were generally strong throughout the day. Pacific Mail advanced from 89¾ to 89 on the news of the safety of the Arizona. Northwestern common advanced from 63¾ to 64¾, with much activity and excitement in the dealings, the stock being reported cornered. Western Union advanced from 78¾ to 78¾; Ohios, from 44¼ to 45¾; Rock Island, from 107½ to 108¾; Lake Shore, from 83 to 83¾; Erie, from 53¼ to 53¾. The other fluctuations were small. The market closed dull, and, except on Northwestern, a trifle off from the best rate, but generally steady.

Sterling, 108¾.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.			
Coupons, '81	116¾	Coupons, '67	115¾
5-20s of '62	113¾	Coupons, '68	115
Coupons, '64	113¾	New 5s	109¾
Coupons, '65	113¾	10-40s	110¾
Coupons, '65 (new)	115	Currency 6s	113¾

STATE BONDS.			
Missouris	93¾	Virginias, old	48
Tennessees, old	74¾	North Carolinas	38
Tennessees, new	75	North Carolinas, new	21½
Virginias, new	50		

STOCKS.			
Canton	103	St. Paul pfd	74
W. U. Tel	78¾	Wabash	60¾
Pacific Mail	89¾	Wabash pfd	75
Adams Express	92	Fort Wayne	93
Wells Fargo	86	Terre Haute	18
American Express	68¾	Terre Haute pfd	35
United States Ex	17¾	Chicago & Alton	108
Pacific Mail	89¾	Chicago & Alton pfd	120
New York Central	93¾	C. & A. pfd	115½
Erie	53	C. & A.	85¾
Erie pfd	79¾	C., R. & Pac	130
Harlem	113¾	Lake Shore	83¾
Harlem pfd	125	Indiana Central	31¾
Michigan Central	114¾	Illinois Central	124
Michigan Ex-div	87	Un. Pacific stocks	34¾
Northwestern	64	U. P. bonds	86
N. W. pfd	86¾	Com. Pacific bonds	100
Rock Island	108¾	Del., Lac & W	95¾
N. J. Cen	101¾	B., H. & Erie	7
St. Paul	81¾		

Foreign Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20.—11 a. m.—Flour, 29s 6d. Wheat—Winter, 11s 4d; spring, 11s@11s 9d; white, 12s 4d@12s 6d; Club, 12s@12s 3d. Corn, 28s 6d. Pork, 55s. Lard, 39s.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20—1 p. m.—Flour unchanged. Winter wheat, 11s 6d@11s 8d; spring, 11s 2d@11s 10d. Best unchanged.

LONDON, Nov. 20—3 p. m.—Consols—money, 92¾; account, 92¾. 5-20s of 1865, 90¾; 5-20s of 1867, 89; 10-40s, 87¾; new 5s, 88¾; 10-40s, 40¾.

FRANKFORT, Nov. 20.—5-20s of 1862, 96¾.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—Rentes, 52f 60c.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20.—Cotton closed with a firm tendency; middling upland, 9¾@9¾d; Orleans, 10¼d. Sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 4,000 bales.

Breadstuffs quiet. Red Western wheat, 11s 2d@11s 10d; red winter wheat, 11s 6d@11s 8d. Flour, 24s 6d. Corn, 28s 6d.

Cheese, 63s. Bacon unchanged.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

BUFFALO—CATTLE—Receipts to-day, including 120 cars reported to arrive, 4,250 head, making the total supply for the week thus far 6,375 head, or 875 cars, against 216 the same time last week. The market was slow and dull at 50 off from yesterday's quotations. The bulk of the stock was late in getting in, on account of snow-drifts, and buyers had no time to examine. About 800 head were disposed of. Sales: 58 Michigan steers, av 1,126@1,168 lbs, $5.00@5.60; 20 Michigan stockers, av 927 lbs, $4.75; 83 Ohio steers, av 1,085@1,231 lbs, $5.37½@6.00; 15 Indiana stockers, av 952 lbs, $4.75; 111 Ohio steers, av 1,031 lbs, $4.50; 20 Ohio stockers, av 1,093 lbs, $3.70; 367 Illinois steers, av 1,090 lbs, $3.62½.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts to-day, 1,200, making the total supply of the week, thus far, 5,400, against 11,400 the same time last week. The market has not fairly opened, and holders are firm at last week's closing rates. There have not been sufficient sales to justify a quotable market. The stock is of inferior grade.

HOGS—Receipts to-day, 10,400, making the total supply for the week, thus far, 22,100, against 22,900 the same time last week. The market was slow this morning, and there was difficulty in shipping yesterday, on account of the snow blockade, which caused a large accumulation of stock in the pens. Buyers took advantage of this to beat the market. Sales of 2,500 Ohio and Indiana hogs, yesterday afternoon, at $4.20@4.40, according to weight and quality. Up to noon to-day the only sales made were 93 select Indiana hogs, av 233 lbs, at $4.50, and 106 of same, av 247 lbs, at $4.45.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Business is very fair for this period of the season, and the commission houses and jobbers are distributing a considerable amount of goods. The markets is strong for both cottons and woollens. Flannels are active. Stocks have not been so low in first hands for nine years, and the advanced prices are maintained. Prints and rolled jaconets are active and the latter are getting scarce in market.

A. W. Hamilton & Co., dry goods jobbers of Boston, have suspended.

Foreign goods are quiet and prices steady. Linens during better; cotton velvets and velveteens selling very low at auction.

The Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—COTTON—Strong and higher; middling upland, 19¾c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour steady, with fair export demand; receipts, 35,000 brls; superfine Western and State, $5.30@5.70; common to good extra, $6.30@6.95; good to choice do, $7.00@7.70; white wheat extra, $7.75@8.65; St. Louis, $7.00@11.00. Rye flour steady at $4.75@6.40. Corn meal quiet; Western, $3.25. Wheat higher, with fair export demand, and holders firm; receipts, 89,000 bu; rejected spring, $1.30@1.40; No. 3 Chicago, $1.46@1.48; No. 2 do, $1.48@1.50; Northwestern spring, $1.51@1.53; No. 2 Milwaukee, $1.54@1.56; No. 1 do, $1.60; winter red Western, $1.62@1.65. Rye unchanged. Barley firm; Western, 86@90c. Malt unchanged. Corn firmer with fair demand; receipts, 35,000 bu; steamer mixed Western, 63¾c; sail do, 64@64½c; high mixed, nearly yellow, 64½@65¼c. Oats dull; receipts, 22,000 bu; old Western mixed, 39@39c; new do, 46@51c; white, 52@55c; black Western, 46@50c.

EGGS—Unchanged.

HAY—Unchanged.

HOPS—Firm; 28@30c for crop of '72.

LEATHER—Firm; 28@30c; Orinoco, 27@27½c.

WOOL—Irregular, unsettled; fleece, 64@65c.

GROCERIES—Coffee firm, unchanged. Sugar unchanged. Molasses dull; New Orleans, 85@87c.

PETROLEUM—Crude, 14½c; refined, 27¾@27½c.

TURPENTINE—Firm; 60c.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull, lower; mess

MONEY AND COMMERCE.

MONETARY.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Nov. 20.

The stringency of the local money market continues without any noticeable alleviation. The demand for accommodation at the banks is large, coming chiefly from the mercantile departments of trade. The grain dealers, however, are not asking for much, thus showing that they are operating more on their own capital, and that there is not much speculation.

The deposits of the banks of Chicago are estimated to be from 12 to 15 per cent lower than they were at this time in 1871, while the loans are an average of 33 per cent higher than they were then. The banks are therefore expanded 40 or 50 per cent more than they were a year ago. At this time last year, however, the deposits of the banks were experiencing an abnormal increase from collections of insurance. At the same time the general stoppage of business made a falling off in the loans. But aside from this, it is estimated that the banks are now expanded 25 or 30 per cent more than at any time previous to about October 1.

New York exchange continues scarce and firm at from 50c to 75c per $1,000 premium.

GOBBLING UP A RAILROAD.

The recent default of the Chicago & Southwestern Railroad Company to pay the interest on the $5,000,000 of its bonds guaranteed by the Chicago & Rock Island Railroad Company, excites a good deal of comment in financial circles in New York, and also in Germany, where the bonds are held, and it is generally claimed that this one event has done more to shake the confidence of European capitalists in American securities generally than anything else that has transpired for nearly a year, not excepting even the Boston fire. It is alleged that the apprehension which this default occasioned induced a general distrust of all our securities, and caused a decline in prices that extended even to United States bonds.

Coming so soon after the default of the Rockford, Rock Island and St. Louis Company, who are just now compromising with their European bondholders by agreeing that the bonds shall represent one-half of their original face, and that the interest on this reduced indebtedness shall be 6 per cent, instead of 7, the default of the Southwestern might well create the impression, which it has, that the road was poor property, in a poor country, with no prospects of business, and, in short, a swindle generally. But Western men, who are acquainted with the country traversed by the Southwestern, its termini at the important cities of Leavenworth and Atchison, and its extensive railroad connections to New Mexico and Texas, know better than to suppose that the Southwestern *could not* pay the interest on its bonds. As near as it can be arrived at, the default on the interest on the bonds is a preconcerted arrangement on the part of the Rock Island Company in order to depreciate the value of both the stock and bonds of the Southwestern, and enable the Rock Island "ring" to buy them up at a heavy discount. The Southwestern Road, 270 miles long, from Washington, Iowa, to Leavenworth, was built with the five millions of bonds which were guaranteed by the Rock Island Company, sold in Europe at 90c on the dollar,—and the proceeds of about one million dollars of subscriptions received from the various towns and counties along the line. The "Atchison branch" 50 miles long, from Cameron to Atchison, was built with the proceeds of one million of bonds issued by the Chicago & Southwestern Company without any guarantee from the Rock Island Company, this one million of bonds being a first mortgage on the Atchison Branch and a second mortgage on the main line. The entire cost of the road, therefore, was about $7,000,000, with a partial equipment of rolling stock. The present capital stock is $9,000,000. Judging by the recent policy of the Rock Island clique, who now control the Southwestern (Mr. Tracy being President of the Southwestern as well as the Rock Island) it is their object to depress the value of the Southwestern bonds, so as to buy them up, foreclose the mortgage, and get hold of the road at a cost of $3,000,000 or $4,000,000. The bonds of the Southwestern Company were an agreement to pay gold interest, but the Rock Island guarantee on these bonds only specified *currency* interest, a discrepancy that looks as though the present default was premeditated. But aside from this, it is alleged that the road has been systematically mismanaged, and that its earnings have been purposely diminished in order to give it the appearance of being a bad piece of property. An instance of this alleged mismanagement is cited in the refusal of the managers of the road to accept the offer of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Road—which is now finished to the crossing of the Arkansas River—to take the cattle traffic of the latter road, which is very large, being in fact a large proportion of all the cattle from Texas, which, until recently, have been driven as far north as Abilene, but now come *via* the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe to Atchison. Mr. Joy has since taken the cattle traffic of the A. T. & S. Fe road and though he has to carry them 45 miles further over the Burlington & Missouri Railroad, has probably got a profitable business out of it.

It is alleged that if the Southwestern had taken this and other business that it has refused, it would now be more than able to pay the gold interest on its bonds.

The interest on the $1,000,000 of bonds for the Atchison branch of the Southwestern falls due on December 1. These bonds are not guaranteed by the Rock Island Company at all, and the Rock Island ring who now control the Southwestern road could, and possibly will, make a default on this interest also as another step in their programme.

LOCAL STOCK AND BOND MARKET.

Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean quote as follows, this afternoon:

	Buying.	*Selling.*
U. S. 6s of '81	115¾	116¾
5-20s of '62, ex. int	112¾	113¾
5-20s of '64, ex. int	112¾	113¾
5-20s of '65, ex. int	112¾	113¾
5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	114¾	115¾
5-20s of '67, Jan. and July	115¾	116¾
5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	114¾	115¾
10-40s	107¾	108
U. S. 5s (new issue), ex. int	109¾	109¾
U. S. currency 6s	119¾	119¾
Northern Pacific 6s of 7-30s		92 and int.
Chicago City 7s		99 and int.
Cook County 7s		92 and int.
Illinois, County and Township 10s	93	95
Sterling Exchange, (large drafts)	103¾	@103¾

REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record on Wednesday, Nov. 20:

CITY PROPERTY.

Lot 10 of Lot 164 in Butterfield's Addition, dated Nov. 18; consideration, $700.

LeMoyne et, bet Hoyne and Leavitt sts, n f, Lots 45 and 46, dated Aug. 17; consideration, $2,700.

Lots 17 and 18 in Block 2 of Grant's Addition, n w ¼ of n e ¼ Sec 12, 39, 13, dated Oct. 11; consideration, $1,200.

Lot 15 in Block 16 in Sec 19, 39, 14, dated Nov. 18; consideration, $900.

The premises No. 12 Artesian av, dated Nov. 13; consideration, $3,500.

West Indiana st, bet Noble and Ada sts, n f, 27½x 130 ft, dated Nov. 19; consideration, $2,850.

Brown st, 75 ft e of Eighteenth st, w f, 26x100 ft, dated Oct. 30; consideration, $800.

Brown st, 25 ft e of Eighteenth place, w f, 25x100 ft, dated Nov. 4; consideration, $850.

North Lincoln st, 137½ ft s of Thomas st, e f, 26x125 ft, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $700.

Lots 19 to 26, in Mowbray's Block 28, in Clark's e ½ of s w ¼ Sec 13, 39, 13, dated Sept. 23; consideration, $1,800.

Blue Island av, 24 ft w of Lincoln st, s f, 24x100 ft, dated Nov. 18; consideration, $1,850.

West Twelfth st, 50 ft e of Rosey st, s f, 24x125 ft, dated Oct. 5; consideration $1,200.

Lot 21, in Block 94, Elston's Addition, dated Nov. 20; consideration, $1,800.

Lot 4, in same, dated Nov. 19; consideration, $1,800.

Kinzie st, between North Dearborn and State sts, s f, 90 ft to alley, dated Oct. 23; consideration $6,000.

West Lake st, between Western av and Oakley st, n f, n ½ of e ½ Lot 8, dated Oct 3; consideration $4,000.

Lot 3 in Block 4, of Ehrhart & Wentz's Block 16, in Wright & Whitney's n e ¼ Sec 12, 39, 13, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $2,300.

Lots 25 and 26, in Block 12, of s e ¼ Sec 21, 39, 14, dated Nov. 15; consideration, $1,200.

Lot 14 in Block 3, in H. O. Stone's subdivision of Astor's Addition, dated Oct. 9; consideration, $5,200.

Lot 13, of Lots 7 to 12, in Block 17, Sheffield's Addition, with buildings, dated Nov. 20; consideration, $4,000.

Erie st, bet North Market and Franklin sts, s f, 50 ft to alley, with buildings, dated Aug. 1; consideration, $13,000.

Lots 1 and 2, of Lots 133 to 136, in Butterfield's Addition, dated Nov. 14; consideration, $4,465.

Undivided 1-5 of e ½ n e ¼ s e ¼ of n e ¼ Sec 11, 39, 13 (except boulevard), dated Nov. 13; consideration, $6,000.

Lot 22, in Block 13, of Harding's w ½ of n e ¼ Sec 21, 39, 13, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $1,200.

Lot 7, in Block 3, in Davis' n ½ of s w ¼ of s w ¼ Sec 28, 39, 14, dated Nov. 9; consideration, $1,200.

Lot 60, Block 67, in Sec. 19, 39, 14, dated Nov. 20; consideration, $1,800.

South Park av, s of Thirty-third st, s f, 25 1-10x127 7-10 ft, with buildings, dated April 1; consideration, $4,300.

Blue Island av, 96 ft w of Paulina st, s f, 24x100 ft, dated June 22; consideration, $1,000.

SOURCE OF CITY LOANS.

Block 3, of Pharr's e ½ of s w ¼ Sec. 12, 38, 13, dated Oct. 18; consideration, $5,000.

Lots 95 and 96, in Block 12, of Stewart's s w ¼ Sec. 1, 38, 13, dated Nov. 7; consideration, $553.

Lot 94, in same, dated Nov. 7; consideration, $265.

S ½ of Lot 5, in Block 8, in Walker & Stenson's w ½ of s w ¼ Sec 2, 39, 14, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $4,500.

Lots 7 to 9, in Block 27, of Theological Seminary Sub-division of Hyde Park, dated Oct. 18; consideration, $2,000.

Block 3, of w ½ s w ¼ Sec 2, 38, 13 (10 14-100 acres), dated Nov. 8; consideration, $8,000.

Lot 29, in Hugh Maher's e ½ of Sec 15,38, 14, dated Nov. 15; consideration, $11,000.

Lot 11, of Whitney and Clafin's Lot 2, in Assessor's s ½ of s w ¼ Sec 4, 38, 14, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $1,250.

COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Nov. 20.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in this city during the past twenty-four hours; and for the corresponding date a year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, brls	7,240	3,905	8,618	2,479
Wheat, bu	39,000	40,940	155,000	....
Corn, bu	33,875	136,195	41,063	159,255
Oats, bu	19,120	30,857	5,530	4,513
Rye, bu	3,037	3,079	....	1,200
Barley, bu	22,000	1,805	60,000	2,000
Grass seed, lbs	35,700	58,120	47,043	40,000
Flax seed, lbs	32,670	....	....	....
Broom corn, lbs	48,000	69,380	31,000	28,000
Cured meats, lbs	39,160	81,360	663,530	501,104
Beef, brls	....	2,120	190	1,870
Pork, brls	70	....	1,998	412
Lard, lbs	7,620	28,170	41,199	312,989
Tallow, lbs	6,100	76,020	....	69,038
Butter, lbs	46,440	80,355	57,230	18,620
Dressed hogs, No.	16	22	....	....
Live hogs, No.	16,257	19,903	6,525	5,011
Cattle, No.	2,845	2,370	1,036	1,210
Sheep, No.	1,467	307	386	....
Hides, lbs	131,085	95,905	257,770	72,016
High wines, brls	102	370	309	216
Wool, lbs	44,880	3,310	147,040	....
Potatoes, bu	231	5,339	42	300
Lumber, m feet	3,026	4,389	1,378	985
Shingles m	840	875	1,376	1,023
Lath, m	207	156	234	28
Salt, brls	5,518	2,009	670	4,176

Withdrawn from store yesterday for city consumption: 2,472 bu wheat; 3,442 bu corn; 2,008 bu oats; 428 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store this morning, up to 10 o'clock: 84½ cars wheat; 91 cars corn; 24 cars oats; 4½ cars rye; 60 cars barley. Total, 267 cars, or 106,000 bu.

The warehouse question, and the recent revelations concerning its capabilities for expansion in the hands of such men as Munn & Scott, formed the subject of much comment on 'Change to-day. In fact, there was more real discussion about it than on any day for a long while past, because the question was extensively raised—"Who is to blame?" Munn & Scott could not have been so far behind for several years without the fact being known, in a general way, to several people. The firm occupies a prominent position in the business-world cannot hang on to solvency by the skin of its teeth for four years, without some one noting the precarious situation, and profiting by that knowledge. It would be of great interest to the commercial community to know who made money by keeping silent, and how much it profited them to say nothing about the fact that the reputation of that house had a "false bottom." That there are such men is morally certain; and it is not improbable that they are to be found to-day among those who speak in terms of severest condemnation of the discovered fraud. Just as the parasite that preys upon a parasite is a more despicable animal than the intermediate pest, so are the second hand blood sucking brokers more to be despised than the man who do the original stealing. Yet they are protected by such a thick veil of secrecy that it is doubtful if the public finger of scorn will ever be pointed against them—much less will they ever suffer for the part they have played in the tragedy just terminated.

What the disposition may be made of the Munn & Scott matter, the discovery of their conduct, and its universal reprobation, will be valueless if it do not result in at least two conditions. One is that the warehousemen of this city shall show that they deserve the public confidence, by making a fair exhibit of their present status; the other is that the receipts of warehouse receipts shall be discredited if it be known that the proprietors of that elevator gamble in grain. It may be said that with an efficient system of registration and cancellation, further frauds are impossible. But even if this be so, the statement of condition is necessary to prove that the system is now sound; not that it cannot become more rotten than it is.

With regard to the second point, it is important to note that it concerns not only the interests of the grain dealers here, but of the whole city. Even if it be not now possible to overissue receipts, or to ship out grain without cancelling so much paper, there are a dozen different ways in which the warehouseman who "deals" in grain can cheat the grain owners for his own benefit. He always has the advantage of the difference in quality of separate parcels of grain—shipping out the best, and reserving the poorest for the ordinary shipper; and he can often operate on the knowledge he possesses with regard to condition, especially in seasons of excitement about "hot corn," such as we have had several times in the past. But even this small argument when compared with the cogent one couched in the fact that our warehouse system of the past has done more than all other causes combined to drive away the grain trade from this city. We need not here recapitulate facts which are familiar as household words in the mouths of country dealers, and well known to city operators. With the disappearance of Munn & Scott we have lost the one concern that was confessedly rotten. We now want to be sure that all the rest are sound, and that their business is conducted in such a way as shall make suspicion and complaint ungrounded in the future.

It seems that after all that has been developed with regard to Munn & Scott, their chances for being spelled from the Board of Trade are very small. The laws of that institution are construed to mean that the Directors have no power to recommend for expulsion except on complaint of a member of the Board; that no member has the right to complain unless he has been individually wronged; that the frauds of Munn & Scott were not perpetrated on any individuals, because it is not possible to prove the identity of a parcel of grain in elevator, and that the fraud on the partners of Munn & Scott was sustained by the losers in their capacity of warehousemen, and not as members of the Board of Trade.

It is even doubtful if the members of the Board of Trade have the right to hold an indignation meeting and express their disapprobation of the course of the late firm, or tender a respectful request that they forbear to visit the rooms in future. As the Board has no charter provision which confers this right, the members probably would not dare to exercise it, lest they should be guilty of outstepping the limits of propriety and doing injustice to two worthy gentlemen.

The fact that no one of the 1,200 odd members of the Board of Trade has deemed it advisable to make complaint, certainly argues the possession by them of a vast amount of Christian forbearance. It cannot be that they are waiting for that one among them who is without sin to cast the first stone.

The combination of packers and shippers to keep down the price of live hogs does not seem likely to be successful. They want more hogs than are coming in, and if this state of things should continue, their bond of union would soon prove to be but a rope of sand. It was suggested today that the object of the combination has been misrepresented—that they want to keep the price of hogs from dropping below $4.00 per 100 lbs, instead of seeking to make that the maximum figure.

The markets.

The leading produce markets were less active to-day, and grain was generally easier, though not weak, owing to the decreased demand, with the certainty that lake shipments are nearly over for this season. Rates by rail are firm at 25c for corn, 35c for wheat, 65c for rye, 50c for barley, 85c for oats, 90c for high wines, $1.50 for provisions, and $2.50 for hogs.

Freight rates are thus quoted: Chicago to Liverpool, 9½@9¾c per 100 lbs (gold) on beef and pork; 9c@9 10-16c on lard; 9c on flour. Chicago to Glasgow, 9¼c on beef; 8¾c on pork; 9½c on bacon and lard.

Provisions were in better demand, but with few changes in price; the only variations were a slight advance in pork and lard for future, while cash lots were unchanged. The inquiry was principally for lard and meats, and seemed to have been stimulated by the firmer feeling in live hogs, which, indeed, some think is the packers' combination has been dissolved as a preliminary to commencing work for the season in real earnest. There was a wider difference than usual between the views of buyers and sellers; the former asking an advance in many cases, while the latter seemed to be limited to figures below those demanded. Mess pork closed at the following range of prices: Mess pork, old lots held at $14.50@15.00; new pork, $13.00; do seller the month nominal at $12.75@13.00; do seller December, $12.30@12.40; do seller January, $12.25@12.30; do seller February, $12.25@12.30; do seller March, $12.37½@12.50; do seller April, $12.25@12.50. Lard, cash, 7½@7¾c for prime; do seller December, 7¾c; do seller January, 7¾@7¼c; do seller February, 7¾c; do seller March, 7¾@8c. Sweet pickled hams, 9¾@10¼c, and green hams at 7½@7¾c for present delivery or seller November; 7¾@8c seller December or January. Green shoulders, 5¾@5¾c; do rough sides, 5¼@5½c; do short ribs, 6c; do short clear, 6¼@6¾c; meats, 15 to 20 days in salt, quotable at 4¾c for shoulders; 6¼@6¾c for short ribs, and 6¾@7c for short clear. Boxed shoulders, seller December, quoted at 5c. English meats for delivery in December and January, 6½@6¾c for Cumberlands; 6¾c for short ribs, or long clear; 6¾@6¾c for short clear; 8¾@8¾c for long cut hams. Mess beef, $8.50@9.00; extra mess do, $9.50@10.00; beef hams $29.00@30.00. City tallow, 8@8¼c; grease quotable at 5½@5¾c. Sales were reported of 40 brls mess pork at $13.50; 270 brls do at $13.00; 3,000 brls prime mess January, $12.25; 250 tcs lard at 7½c; 100 tcs do at 7c, loose; 750 tcs do, seller March, at 7¾c; 100 boxes shoulders, at Eureka, Ill., seller December, at 4¾c; 100 boxes short ribs, at 6¾c; 250 boxes short clear, seller the month, at 6¾c; 100 boxes Cumberlands, seller next week, at 6¾c; 40,000 lbs green hams at 7¾c; 116,000 lbs do (average 16 lbs) at 7¼c; 5,000 pcs do, seller December and January, at 7¾c; 5,000 pcs do at 7¾c; 100 brls extra mess beef at $10.00; 300 brls city packers tallow at 8¼c, 75 brls butchers' do at 8c; 50 brls yellow grease at 5¾c.

Dressed hogs were quiet. Sale was reported on the street of 15 head, fair, at $4.62½@per 100 lbs, and the market may be quoted at $4.62½@5.00 for fair to choice. None are offered on 'Change yet.

Flour was active, and a shade firmer, being in fair shipping demand, several shippers are now taking hold who have previously been deterred by the prevalence of the *epi-hippo-itis* from buying goods which could not be transferred to boat or car. The demand was principally for spring extras, for which some dealers secured an advance of about 5c per brl. The lower grades are said to be scarce. Rye flour and buckwheat were firm, and bran was strong. Sales were reported of 100 brls white winter extras (People's) at $9.25; 100 brls spring extras at $6.50; 600 brls do at $6.00; 100 brls do at $5.90; 100 do at $5.87½; 100 do at $5.65, 50 brls do at $5.50; 500 brls do at $5.50; 100 brls do at $4.50; 1,350 brls do on private terms; 150 brls rye at $4.00; 100 brls do at $3.87½; 100 brls do on private terms; 50 brls buckwheat (Early Riser) at $7.00; 50 brls do at $6.87½. Total, 3,450 brls. Also 20 cars bran at $11.00; 80 tons do at $10.50, all on track; 10 tons middlings at $13.50, on track. The following is the range of prices:

Fair to choice winter extras	$7.80@ 9.75
Red winter extras	6.50@ 7.75
Fair to choice spring extras	6.00@ 6.50
Low to medium	4.25@ 5.25
Good to fancy Minnesota	5.75@ 7.00
Spring superfines	3.00@ 4.25
Rye flour	4.00@ 5.00
Buckwheat flour	5.50@ 7.00
Bran	10.50@11.00

Wheat was less active, and often dull, but steady at a decline of 1½c from yesterday, though New York was quoted firm, and Liverpool was stronger. The probable reason was that the shorts did not care to make their filling in wheat to-day, and had got over their scare. At the same time, the few holders of wheat, outside the combination who control most of it, were very little disposed to part with their property in view of the liberal shipments reported for yesterday, which have further decreased our stocks to the extent of 115,000 bu, while some operators are disposed to think that the stocks of winter here on Saturday last is considerably less than the 852,257 bu which result from allowing the deficiency reported by George Armour & Co. It is not probable, however, that the stocks will be found to vary very much from those diminished figures; and we shall know next Tuesday, when George Armour & Co. are now measuring up and some of the other warehousemen will also know just where they stand. They all measure up during this month. There was no shipping demand to-day, except for a few car loads to send out by rail. Seller December, which was the principal option dealt in, opened at $1.07¾, declined to $1.07, advanced to $1.08¾, declined to $1.07¾, and recovered to $1.08, but closed weak at $1.07¾@. Seller the month sold at $1.08¾@1.08¾, closing at $1.07. Seller January sold at $1.08¾@1.09¾, closing at the inside. No. 1 spring closed at $1.17@1.17¾; No. 2 spring at $1.07@1.07¾; No. 3 do at 97c; and rejected do at 84c. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 1 spring at $1.19; 400 bu do at $1.17; 4,000 bu No. 2 spring at $1.08¼; 5,000 bu do at $1.08¾; 77,600 bu do at $1.08; 10,000 bu do at $1.07¾; 1,600 bu do at $1.07¾; 5,000 bu No. 3 spring at 98¼c; 33,600 bu do at 98c; 5,200 bu do at 97¼c; 7,800 bu do at 97c; 2,800 bu do at 96c; 400 bu rejected spring at 84¼c; 1,200 bu do at 83¼c. Also, 400 bu red winter at $1.38, delivered. Total, 136,200 bu.

Corn was less active, and ½@¾c lower, though reported strong in New York, while our receipts are light and the sales small. But those have failed to bring out buyers. The bulk of the shorts seemed to have been filled yesterday, and of course the gentlemen of whom the others were afraid because they own most if not all the corn here, did not want to put the market up on themselves. There was very little buying for shipment, as the parties who contracted for vessel-room to-day hold the grain previous to chartering. Seller the month opened at 32½c, and declined to 31¾@32c at the close. Seller December sold at 31¾@31¾c; and seller January at 31¾@31¾c, both closing at the inside. Seller June was stronger, selling at 36c; and seller May and June were nominal at 35¾@36c. Rejected closed dull at 29¼c, most of the receipts being of this grade (new). Cash sales were reported of 53,800 bu No. 2 at 32½c; 12,000 bu do at 32¾c; 41,000 bu do at 32c; 400 bu rejected at 30c; 1,600 bu do at 29¾c; 5,600 bu do at 29¾c; 3,200 bu car at 35c, to arrive; 1,200 bu do at 31c. Total, 118,800 bu.

Oats were dull and irregularly easier, oats for delivery this month being dull at yesterday's quotations, at 28c, while options for more deferred delivery were ½c lower, at 23¼c seller December, and 23¾@24c seller January, all closing dull. Strictly fresh receipts were slow sale at 23¼@23½c. Cash sales were reported of 12,000 bu No. 2 at 23¼c; 13,000 bu do at 23¾c; 15,000 bu do at 23c; 600 bu rejected at 21¾c; 600 bu do at 21c. Total, 41,200 bu.

Rye was quiet and firm at the advance noted yesterday, all the offerings being willingly taken by waiting buyers. Sales were reported of 3,600 bu No. 2 at 56c, and 800 bu do, short receipts, at 54½c. Rejected was nominal at 47c.

Barley was less active but steadier, at the inside prices of yesterday, under a lessened demand, both from shippers and speculators. The quotations for grain in ordinary houses were 86c for No. 2, and 81c for No. 3. Armour, Dole & Co.'s receipts commanding reference. Seller the month was dull at 66@67c, closing at the inside; and seller December was weak at 63¼@64c, closing at 63c. Cash sales were reported of 490 bu No. 2 at 69c; 6,400 bu at 68c; 400 bu No. 3 at 65c; 1,200 bu do at 62½c; 1,200 bu do at 62c; 17,200 bu do at 61c; 2,400 bu rejected at 40c; 4,000 bu by sample at 85c on track; (to arrive); 400 bu do at 81c, delivered; 1,600 bu do at 80c; 400 bu do at 79c; 400 bu do at 60c; 400 bu do at 55c. Total, 36,400 bu.

Gilead A. Smith & Co., of London, furnish the following quotations of metals on Nov. 1 in English shillings: Ordinary Erie rails, 210@220; do double headed, 215@225; Welsh bars, 220@240; Staffordshire do, 255@272½; nail rods, 240@260; pig iron, 102½; common block tin, 148; tin plate, per box, 42@55s; lead per ton, 40s 4½d; quicksilver per 75 lbs, 280s.

T. Berger Spence, of Manchester, Eng., thus speak of the chemical market, under date of Oct. 28:

During the past week there has been a moderate yet upon the whole a satisfactory trade transacted in chemicals, and quotations all round remain unchanged. Uncertainty regarding the future course of the market still restricts contract business, but from the evident indifference of manufacturers to undertake engagements for delivery over next year on buyers' terms, it does not seem as if the present range of values were likely to recede to the extent anticipated. In the meantime their resources are, in many cases, insufficient to meet current consumption, and it is not expected that the conditions of production will change so as to enable them materially to yield the advantages of lower prices. There has been a considerable inquiry for caustic soda for forward delivery, but the amount of business passing is not large. Soda ash has been selling more freely, at slightly firmer rates. In soda crystals an improved tone is again noticeable, but no advance can be quoted. The demand for nitrate of soda has not been quite so animated as during the previous week, but such sales as were effected realised in a great measure the values then current. No improvement can yet be noted in muriate of potash. Bleaching powder has been quiet throughout, but sales have not been pressed, and quotations remain stationary. A good trade continues to be done in sulphate of ammonia at full prices. In oxalic acid there has been a fair business done at our quotations. Tartaric firm.

HOW IS THIS?

An exchange says: "It is claimed by the St. Paul *Press* that a wheat as well as a wood monopoly exists on some of the railroads leading into that city, by which the price of grain there is arbitrarily kept under the standard in other places. On the main line of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, says the *Press*, are wheat-buyers for two distinct interests. One is the combination of Minneapolis millers, who require a large amount of grain for manufacture at the Falls, and the other represents Milwaukee speculators, whose purchases help to swell the business of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. Each of these parties is bound to confine itself to its own territory, which has been set off by mutual agreement, and not to trespass in any way upon the operations of its rival. Each has agreed upon a maximum price to be paid for wheat, and neither will receive, at any price, grain that has been purchased from the farmer at a higher figure than they have set. So that when a local buyer, in view of the great disparity between the value of wheat in Milwaukee, deducting the cost of getting it there, and the combination price, enters into competition with the ring for the produce of his region, and pays five or ten cents per bushel more than the fixed price, he at once finds himself in the position of the wood buyer who has contravened the rules of the railroad in regard to the price of wood. He can do nothing with his wheat. Neither party of buyers will take it off his hands, and he finds it impracticable to obtain transportation facilities for an independent shipment. By this means, the buying price of wheat, on the St. Paul and Pacific Road is kept from five to ten cents below its actual value, and the farmers are robbed of this amount, in this year of low prices, for the benefit of the members of the corporation."

LATEST.

In the afternoon wheat was moderately active and stronger; No. 2 spring sold at $1.03¾ cash, $1.08@1.08¾ seller the month and seller December, the option closing at $1.08¾. Corn was quiet at 31½ seller the month, and 31¼@31¾c seller December, closing at 31¼c. Freights and provisions were inactive.

CHICAGO DAILY MARKET.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Nov. 20.

ALCOHOL—Was fairly active, at $1.78@1.80 for 94 per cent proof.

BROOM CORN—Was dull and heavy. The inquiry is restricted to local manufacturers. Stocks are large, and prices are without material change. We continue to quote: $45.00 per ton for common; $75.00 for fair; $80.00@100.00 for choice; and $110.00@120.00 for choice hurl.

BEANS—Were rather quiet. A large order was readily filled the past week, but, aside from this, little inquiry prevailed. Choice beans are quite scarce. We quote: Navies, $2.35; fair to medium, $1.50@2.00; common, $1.00@1.25. Sales include 4 brls at $1.85; 9 brls do at $1.75; 20 bags and 7 brls medium at $1.50.

BUTTER—The butter market was again quiet, with little or no change in value. The only considerable demand was for choice table qualities and common bakers' grades, the former selling at 24@26c, and the latter at 10@15c. We continue to quote: Strictly choice dairy, 24@26c; medium to good, 18@22c; inferior to common, 8@15c.

BAGGING—The general features of this market were unchanged in any essential particular. Trade continues slack, and the quoted prices are only indifferently sustained. The following are the ruling rates: Stark, 35½c; Ludlow, 35c; Lewiston, 34c; American, 32c; Otter Creek, 30½c; burlap bags, 4 and 5 lbs, 20@22½c; gunnies, single, 18@18½c; do, double, 28c; wool sacks, 65@70c.

BUILDING MATERIALS—Brick is quiet and unchanged. Other materials meet with a fair inquiry at present prices. We quote: Stucco, $2.50@2.75; New York stucco lime, $1.75@4.00; superfine do, $4.00@4.50; Rosendale cement, $3.25@3.50; Utica cement, $2.00 per brl; Louisville cement, $2.00; Akron cement, $2.00; marble dust, $3.25; lime, in bulk, $1.00@1.10; lime (in bag) $1.25@1.35 per brl; white sand, per brl, $2.75@3.00; plastering hair, per bu, 40@45c; fire brick, per 1,000, $40.00@90.00; building brick (common), $17.50@14.00; country brick, $13.00@14.00; Woodstock pressed range at $20.00@22.00; St. Louis Hydraulic pressed, $48.00, del; Milwaukee, $33.00, del; Racine, $30.00 del; Hinsdale, $25.00, del; fire clay, per brl, $4.00@5.00. The following is the list of prices per box of 50 feet, for domestic window glass, from which a reduction of 40 per cent is made:

Size of glass.	*First quality, strength.*	*Double strength.*
6x 8 to 7x 9	$ 5.50	$ 6.00
7x10 to 8x10	6.50	9.00
8x11 to 10x13	7.00	9.50
8x14 to 10x15	7.50	11.00
10x14 to 12x14	8.00	13.00
14x16 to 16x20	8.50	15.00
14x22 to 16x24	9.00	17.00
18x22 to 18x30	10.50	18.50
20x28 to 24x30	12.00	20.00
26x28 to 24x36	13.00	22.00
26x34 to 26x40	14.00	24.00
28x38 to 28x44	15.00	26.00
30x36 to 30x45	16.00	27.00
30x50 to 32x52	17.00	28.00
32x54 to 34x56	....	34.00
34x58 to 34x60	....	38.00
36x60 to 40x65	....	46.00

CANNED GOODS—Under this head there was no change to note. Business was reported satisfactorily active, and a firm tone pervaded the market for nearly every article in the list. Tomatoes and Yarmouth sugar corn are reported in light supply, but other wise the stocks are comparatively full. Following are the quotations:

Peaches, 2 lb	$2.00@2.20
Peaches, 3 lb	3.25@3.75
Pears, 2 lb	2.25@2.50
Plums, damsons, 2 lb	2.25@2.50
Plums, green gages, 2 lb	3.00@3.50
Quinces, 2 lb	2.25@3.00
Strawberries, 2 lb	2.50@2.75
Raspberries	2.00@2.50
Blackberries, 2 lb	2.00@2.25
Gooseberries, 2 lb	2.25@2.50
Tomatoes, 2 lb	2.15@4.25
Tomatoes, 3 lb	2.60@2.70
Corn, Elgin	2.80@3.00
Corn, Benton Harbor	2.65@2.85
Corn, Yarmouth	2.90@3.00
Peas, 2 lb	3.00@2.80
Lima beans, 2 lb	2.60@2.70
Succotash, 2 lb	2.15
Lobster, 2 lb	2.35@2.50
Lobster, 1 lb	2.25
Oysters, 2 lb	1.25

CHEESE—Business continues dull, with prices weak and unsettled. Stocks are not large, but they are more than sufficient to satisfy the present demand, and, in sympathy with a decline at the East, quotations were to-day lowered ½c all around, as follows: New York factory, 14½@15½c; Ohio factory, 13@14c; Western factory, 13@14c.

COAL—Continues active at full prices. One or two dealers are still filling orders at $11.00 for Lackawanna, and at $10.50 for Erie, but the ruling rates are $12.00 and $11.50. We repeat our quotations: Lehigh, lump, $12.00; Lehigh, prepared, $12.00; Lackawanna, $11.50@12.00; Erie, $10.50@11.00; Briar Hill, $10.50@11.00; Walnut Hill, $11.00; Pleasantary, $10.00; Cherry Mine, $9.00; Hocking Valley, $9.50; Cannel Coal, $9.50; Minonk, $8.00; Wilmington, $7.00.

COOPERAGE—Was quiet and unchanged. We continue to quote: Pork barrels, $1.45@1.50; lard tierces, new, $1.70@1.75; whiskey barrels, $2.15@2.25; flour barrels, 30@35c; staves and headings, $17.00@20.00 for pork barrels; flour staves, $8.50@9.00; circle flour headings, 8@9c per set; flour hoops, $18.00@20.00 per M; pork and tierce poles, $34.00@40.00 per M; whiskey barrel staves, $23.00@27.00 per M.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS—Were in moderate request; prices were unchanged. We quote: Pears at $4.50@4.60; grapes, 20@30c per lb. Sales include 250 boxes East Brame pears at $4.00@4.50; 50 boxes mixed at $4.00; 200 boxes Winter Nellies at $4.50; 60 boxes do at $5.25@5.00; 100 tubs Rein di Nice grapes at 20c; 200 lbs white Tokay at 25c; 200 lbs Muscat at 20c.

EGGS—There was an ample supply of fresh and picked. The inquiry is light and mainly of a local character. We quote fresh at 25@28c; picked at 20@22c. Sales include 15 cases at 27c; 125 pkgs at 26c; 15 brls at 25c; 7 brls do at 24c; 2,000 doz picked at 22c.

FEATHERS—There was a fair supply with a good, steady demand for prime feathers, both on local and interior account. We continue to quote: Prime live geese at 65@67c from first hands; 72@75c jobbing price for assorted feathers; mixed at 55@60c, according to quality; chicken, 45@50c. Sales include 6 sacks prime live geese at 67c; 3 mixed at 60; 1 do old and mixed at 50c.

FISH—No alterations were made in quotations of fish; the market is doing steady and firm at the annexed range of prices: No. 1 whitefish, $5.00@5.25; No. 2, $4.75@5.00; No. 1, trout $4.50@4.75; No. 1 shore mackerel, $14.00@15.00; No. 1 cod, $5.50@6.25; No. 2 boy mackerel, $7.00@7.25; No. 1 shore, $13.00@14.00; No. 1 herring, $1.80@1.90; bank cod-fish, $5.50@5.75; George's cod-fish, $6.50@6.75; box herring, No. 1, 40@ 43c; box herring, sealed, 42@45c; Columbia River salmon, new, half brls, $10.00@10.25.

FRUITS AND NUTS—Trade continues to improve, and the general market is now fairly active and firm. Under a good consumptive and speculative inquiry, peaches have advanced 5@ 10c, and apples are firmer, with which exceptions values were steady. We now quote: Dates, 8@9c; figs, old, drums, 12@13c; do new, 16@17c; figs, box, 18@19c; Turkey prunes, 1872, 10½@11c; do 1871, 9@9½c; Malaga grapes, $2.25@2.40; raisins, new, $2.70@2.80; blackberries, new, 11½@12c; raspberries, 30@32c; pitted cherries, 25@26c; peaches, pared, 20

Wagon-box boards, selected, 16 inches and upward.....
A stock boards.....
B stock boards.....
Common boards.....
Joist, scantling, small timber, etc., 16 feet and under.....
Flooring
Joist and scantling, 18 to 24 feet.....
Timber—sawed, 12 to 16 feet.....
Shingles—sawed A, per M.....
Pickets, square.....
Pickets, flat.....
Cedar posts, split.....
Cedar posts, round.....
Lath.....
No. 2 sawed.....
A or Star.....
Three dollars per cord is added when the latter grade is required.

Which charge follows the shingles.

Thickness—Five shingles to be two inches in thickness.

Length—Sixteen inches.

HARDWOOD—The moderate business noted at the hardwood yards to-day were in fair attendance. There was a demand for 8-inch grooved and matched. Prices closed as follows:

Oak (dry)	
Black walnut	
Maple	
Ash (dry)	
Butternut	
Counter tops (select)	
Flooring, 6 in. grooved and matched	
Azlee	
Wagon poles (each)	
Hickory	

WHITEWOOD—Was in fair demand, as firm as follows:

Box boards	
Common	
Clear	
Culls	

LUMBER AFLOAT—The receipts for several days past, have been light, the exception of a few vessels from the East Shore, there are not many vessels expected to arrive. The wood trade for 1872 is closing considerably ahead of last year than in previous years. Several here that vessels are leaving Oconto nominee without cargoes, as the river is bound," and it is impossible for them to So that the season is almost closed, are a few lumber vessels that the bardihood to go out this time of among them is the schr Ostrich, which this afternoon for Cedar River, near Ce for another load of lumber. The schr son also makes another trip to Bailey's Joists and scantling were selling at $11.00. Strips and boards were finding irregular the last few days, prices ra the way from $11.00 to $12.00. Shingles good request, and quotations ranged from to $3.25, from fair to choice. Pickets quiet at $9.00@10.00. Lath have steady to the extent of their offerings Probably three or four cargoes cleared none of which, however, were recorded closed this at the following quotations:

Good to choice mill-run lumber.....
Common to good strips and boards.....
Common mixed lumber.....
Joist and scantling.....
Shingles.....
Lath.....
Pickets.....

The horse-disease is interfering very ly with business in this city. The liver are all affected with perhaps one or tions, and lumbermen who had taken the woods have been obliged to take again.

We clip the following from a Sag change:

The Tittabawassee Boom Company has $20,000,000 feet of logs this season. hugh boom has shut down, but three o in operation. The river is full of logs f miles back, and from 50,000,000 to 60,00 will be left in the booms until next seaso expected that nearly 340,000,000 feet will all out of the streams this year, should not freeze up very suddenly. The the manufacture of lumber and salt ha Most of the salt-works and lumber-mills up. A few mills on the river, and many railroads, will run all the winter.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF CHICAGO.

ARRIVED.....

Schr W. H. Willard, Green Bay, 1,018 m shingles.
Schr Sheboygan, Sheboygan, 78 plus butter, 40 bales wool, and sundries.
Schr Mechanic, Buffalo, 445 tons coal.
Schr Osceola, White Lake, 73 m lumber.
Schr Lizzie Throop, Horse's Pier, 25 cds cedar posts.
Schr C. Michelsen, Ludington, 186 m lumber.
Schr Emma, Muskegon, 300 m lumber.
Schr Hyperion, Muskegon, 140 m lumber.
Schr Emeline, Muskegon, 120 m lumber.
Bark J. F. Marcy, Cleveland, 780 tons coal.
Schr Ida, Manistee, 180 m lumber.
Schr Seventh Ohio, Muskegon, 130 m lumber.
Schr Glad Tidings, Muskegon, 110 m lumber.
Schr C. Ellen, Ludington, 80 m lumber, 60 m lath.
Schr Warren, Muskegon, 70 m lumber.

CLEARED.....

Schr Atalanta, Menominee, 145 tons coal.
Schr Sheboygan, Milwaukee, 14 tales boots and sundries.
Prop Missouri, Buffalo, 20,450 bu barley, 9,1 5 brls pork.
Prop R. D. Caldwell, Buffalo, 22,502 bu wheat, flour, and sundries.
Prop J. L. Hurd, Buffalo, 21,686 bu wheat.
Schr David Wells, Goderich, 20,000 bu corn.
Schr R. Rogers, Oswego, 19,407 bu corn.
Prop Annie L. Craig, Buffalo, 25,000 bu wheat.
Schr Senator, Oswego, 17,800 bu wheat.
Schr Hubbard, Elk Rapids, 200 brls pork, 10 brls lard, 5 tcs hides.
Scow Black Hawk, Lincoln, 2,100 bs oats, 1,600 brls flour, 18 brls salt, and sundries.

LAKE FREIGHTS.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 20.—Charters were reported as follows: Chicago—To Goderich—Schr Geo. Scott, 2 cents free of elevation. To Owego—Schr Ostrich on owner's account. To Sarnia—Schr Rescue, wheat at 10c. To Buffalo—Schr Annie L. C. J. Wells, and Sam Flint, on owner's account; prop Annie L. Craig, wheat at 10c. To Port Colborne—Schr Amazon, at 10c. Total 8—wheat 2, capacity 56,000 bu; corn 6, capacity 160,000 bu.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 19.—Grain freights are steady, and prices at 12c for wheat to Buffalo and 10c to Oswego. The schr Minnie Cook is reported at 12c to the former port.

BUFFALO, Nov. 18.—Schrs G. D. Nash and Blanco are chartered for coal to Chicago; schr E. M. Portch, coal to Racine, at 55c.

PRINT ITEMS.

Wind from the northeast, brisk.

—Sailors' wages quoted at $3 per day.

—The schooner Ostrich makes another trip to Cedar River.

—The schooner Ferguson started for another load of lumber, from Bailey's harbor.

—Tugs had some difficulty in getting into the North Branch of the river, yesterday, on account of the ice.

—A few more lumber vessels are expected from points along the East Shore, before the season of 1872 will close. A large number have been stripped and put into winter quarters.

—The schooners Maggie Thompson and Hampshire collided early on Monday morning about twenty miles from this port down in Michigan. The New Hampshire was badly damaged, tearing away her bulwarks, and her fore hatch below the water mark; and immediately began to fill. The crew were taken aboard the Thompson. They saved their clothes, but nothing else was brought from the sinking vessel. The Thompson was towed into this port on Tuesday night. The tug Van Schaick went to the assistance of the New Hampshire yesterday afternoon, but returned in the afternoon after a fruitless search; as there was a heavy sea running, and it was thought she drifted farther down, as the tug went ashore. Two more tugs will start out this morning in search of her, and will probably find her. She is thought to be a total loss. She was valued at $5,000; the owners are Gilbert & Co., of this city. She had a cargo of 160,000 feet of lumber, consigned to Gilbert & Co., of this city. The Thompson is owned by Capt. Hayward. Her damages are slight.

MISCELLANEOUS MARINE ITEMS.

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—The schr Petrel is in the shipyards at Milwaukee for repairs.

—The schr Ebenezer is in the Manistee river undergoing repairs.

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FOREIGN.

Further Details of the Great Hurricane in Sicily.

Half a City Destroyed—A Scene of Utter Woe and Desolation.

The French Entanglement—Reported Resignation of Thiers.

Universal Suffrage Meetings Forbidden in Rome.

Crisis in the Hungarian Cabinet—Proceedings in the Prussian Diet.

Guerrillas in the Spanish Provinces.

SICILY.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The London *Times* of the 8th inst. has the following account of the hurricane in Sicily which destroyed the town of Palozzolo:

"There has been no instance of such calamity within the memory of living man. No earthquake ever caused so much destruction. There are houses ruined, houses fallen to the very ground, walls cleft from end to end, walls hanging outwards as to rest on adjoining houses. There are roofs wholly swept away; sunken vaults; balconies torn from their places; windows and shutters either entirely carried off or hanging loose from the walls; lamp-posts forced from their sockets, up-rooted trees, and this is all one sees along the northeast side of town. Not a single house remains in which the whole roof and windows do not require thorough repair. The streets are a mass of fragments and rubbish. The incidents of disaster are so strange as to be almost incredible. There was a store with 25 hectolitres of wheat, of which not a trace is anywhere to be seen. The books of the Excise and of the Land and Registry offices have vanished, and only their torn leaves have been found here and there at great distances. In one house all the copper kitchen utensils were blown through the roof. In another, the benches and heavy chests flew through the windows. The iron bars on one balcony are to be seen curled up one way, those of another twisted up another way. There is a pillar of a palace, which has been moved forward one foot without breaking, and stands up isolated all in one piece. There is the wall of another palace, which has fallen back more than one foot without a crack. Here is a beam of one house which has thrust itself into another house. There is half a bedstead, the other half of which lies no one knows where. All the tiles of one building are huddled together in one spot on the roof, crushed and broken up small as if they had been pounded. The rafters of another building are all bare, the tiles have flown no one can see where. In a stable on the bare ground men are lying bodies one by one as they are being dug out. Most of them are in their night dresses, having been crushed as they were quietly sleeping. Their features and forms are so disfigured that one cannot look at them without shuddering. Their nostrils, ears, and mouths are stopped up with earth. The white dust has everywhere pierced through the skin. Here is the body of a man holding close to his heart a child,—probably his own child,—the skulls of both are shattered. There are two young men in each others arms, probably brothers. The chests and backs of both are crushed. Near them is another youth covered with blood. He was a clerk in a Government office. He has his eye glass still stuck in his right eye. He was probably reading or writing when he was struck. There are some disfigured past recognition; others that seem unhurt, and look as if they were sleeping. Without exaggeration, one-third of the town is dismantled, and more than 1,000 families literally without a home. About 1,000 more have only one little corner of what was once their home to shelter them. The dead number 312, and the seriously hurt about half a score besides."

FRANCE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—A Paris despatch states that President Thiers has resigned, and General MacMahon has been appointed President, pending the action of the National Assembly. There is great excitement in consequence.

LATER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—London despatches to 5 o'clock this afternoon make no mention of the reported change in the French Government, and consequently there is reason to doubt the truth of the resignation of President Thiers.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—The National Assembly has given its approval to the discussion, at an early day, of a project for the restitution to the Orleans Princes of their confiscated property.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—The Committee of the National Assembly, appointed to draw up a reply to the opening message of President Thiers, has by a vote of 9 to 6, elected the Duc de Pasquier d'Audriffet President. This choice is regarded as unfavorable to the Government.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The report that Thiers had resigned, and been succeeded by Marshal MacMahon, which was circulated to-day by the American Press Association, is discredited. The London money market exhibited no symptom confirming such an event, and the Associated Press has not received any telegrams announcing that Thiers had actually resigned. The probable effect of such change, however, was widely discussed, and the general impression seemed to be that Thiers' retirement will speedily be followed by the Empire. The *Post* thinks it not improbable that the sympathies of the army are with Louis Napoleon, and that Thiers is unwise in being so sensitive to criticism and in treating mere political schemes as established facts. The *Express* considers that the present Republic was forced on France, and that MacMahon as President would be but a prelude to the restored Empire.

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Nov. 20.—Crown Prince Frederick William is recovering from his illness.

The Lower House of the Prussian Diet has almost unanimously decided to proceed immediately to the second reading of the Country Reform Bill.

During the discussion in the Chamber of Deputies to-day, Count Eulenberg, Home Minister, stated that the reforms contemplated in the bill would not be extended to Posen, because that province was not ripe for reform, and had not been dutiful in its conduct towards the Government.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Nov. 20.—The Lower Branch of the Cortes has passed the Mortgage Bank bill.

It is officially announced to-day that King Amadeus passed a bad night. His rheumatism and fever continues.

A band of thirty-five masked men has destroyed the telegraph wires and thrown from the track a railroad train between the towns of Almance and Albacete, in the province of Murcia.

Armed bands, supposed to be Republicans, have appeared between Penagulla and Berigloba, in the province of Valencia. There are also revolutionary symptoms at Alcoy, in the same province.

Civil guards have been concentrated at Almeria, in Andalusia.

ITALY.

ROME, Nov. 20.—The Prefect of Police of this city has issued an order forbidding the assembling of the meeting advertised to be held here on the 24th inst. in furtherance of the principle of universal suffrage, because he has reason to believe that the meeting is really called in the interest of the opposition to the present form of government in Rome.

It is reported that a second ecclesiastical province of the Roman Catholic Church is to be established in England, with Liverpool as the Metropolitan See.

CUBA.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—A Havana letter states that the slave-holders of Cuba are taking every means possible to retain slavery, and have expended $600,000 to secure from Minister Zorilla this expression—that while a single insurgent remains in arms there shall be no reforms in Cuba.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—The police difficulties continues unsettled. The post-men have joined the movement for an increase of salaries, and both bodies will hold a meeting in Hyde Park on Sunday next.

HUNGARY.

PESTH, Nov. 20.—There is a crisis in the Hungarian Cabinet.

INDIANAPOLIS.

Swine-Breeders' Convention—Odd Fellows' Encampment—Police Interference Severely Rebuked.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 20.—The National Convention of Swine-Breeders, called to meet at this city, to-day, was very slenderly attended, and was composed of delegates appointed by the Associations of Swine-Breeders and Boards of Agriculture of the various States. The attendance at best would not have been large, but the low price of pork has so depressed the interest that the Convention falls far below what it would otherwise have been. Delegates were in attendance only from New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Iowa. The Convention was organized at 2 p. m. with Dr. A. O. Stevenson, of Indiana, as President, and George W. Rust, of the *National Live Stock Journal*, of Chicago, as Secretary. Most of the afternoon was consumed in receiving reports from the Committees appointed at the New York Conventions last May, to prepare reports giving the history and points of the various breeds. No reports were received from the Committees appointed on Berkshires, Suffolks, and Essex, or from the Committee to report on what constitutes thoroughbred swine, and fresh Committees were appointed in each case. Reports were submitted from the Committee on Poland China Hogs, one signed by Shepard, of Illinois, and Baldridge, of Indiana, and the other by the Hon. J. I. Milliken, of Ohio, and considerable time was spent in their discussion, the difference being mainly historical, and the appropriateness of the name which they bear, upon which Ohio breeders and those farther West disagree. Without reaching any conclusion, the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock this evening.

At the evening session of the National Swine Breeders' Association, reports were selected from the Committees on the history and points of Essex, Victorias, and Berkshires, the two latter from the regular Committees, which failed to respond to the call this afternoon. The two Poland China reports were recommitted, and a unanimous report submitted recommending that the name Poland China be generally adopted by all breeders.

On motion of Colonel Curtis, of New York, a Committee was appointed to prepare a scale of points to be used in judging stock at the fairs.

After considerable discussion a Committee was appointed to suggest a classification for premium lists. The Convention adjourned until to-morrow, when it is believed it will be prepared to address itself more to business.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 20.—The Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F. of Indiana met to-day in annual convention. An unusual large number of delegates were present.

Three police officers went to a butchers' ball last night, and were ejected on their refusal to pay for tickets. Complaint was made against the managers for resisting officers, but the Mayor holds that the policemen had no right there without tickets.

ROCK ISLAND.

What the Government Has Done at the Arsenal on the Island During the Year.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Nov. 20.—The *Argus* of this evening gives a resume of affairs at the United States Arsenal here during the past year. Since August 1, until the middle of the present month, from 1,000 to 1,200 men have been employed constantly. Nearly all the mechanical trades were represented, the employes being classified about as follows: 150 stone cutters; 60 masons; 50 carpenters; 40 other mechanics, the residue being laborers. The monthly disbursements have ranged from $60,000 to $65,000. The work on the buildings has been pushed as rapidly as possible. The walls of workshop E are nearly completed, and considerable stone and iron work done on shop D. A large number of hands has been employed, and much work done on the two large shops, which were partially completed last year. Workmen are now engaged on the third story of the barracks, and it is intended to have them completed this fall, if possible. The foundation walls and water table of the magazine have been laid. Two blocks of officers' quarters have been finished, and are now occupied. Two miles of sewerage have been completed, at a cost of from $10,000 to $12,000.

The most careful estimate yet made of the water-power places it at fully 6,000 horse. The Government dam at East Rock Island is about completed. Provision has been made for sixty turbine wheels, which will all turn a common shaft, from which the power will be transferred to the shops. The wheel-pits, which were the most difficult part of the work, are all in and completed. In consequence of the extreme cold weather, which has interfered with out-door work, it has been necessary to discharge many of the stone-cutters, masons, and laborers employed upon the Island, and but a comparatively small force is now engaged. But it is intended to employ as many workmen during the winter as practicable, and the weather will admit. Considerable out-door work will yet be done.

The *Argus* also announces from Colonel Flagler, the commandant, the free use of the carriage-bridge across the Mississippi, without passes, for the present. The contract for building the Government bridge at Moline has been awarded to Messrs. Clark, Reeves & Co., of Philadelphia, at $60,280. The structure is to be 721 feet long, in five equal spans, with a roadway 20 feet in the clear, and two sidewalks 5 feet in the clear, and must be completed by the 1st of July, 1873.

DOUBLE MURDER.

A Rochester Sensation—Seduction of a Young Girl—Her Death at the Hands of an Abortionist.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 20.—A terrible crime has just come to light in this city. Some days ago a beautiful young lady named Esther A. Cole, whose parents, highly respectable people, reside at Drummondsville, Can., was brought to the house of one Mrs. Moore, in this city, by her "lover," Hiram Bender, the son of a wealthy and respectable family, also residing at or near Drummondsville. She was not well, and it is very evident that she was the victim of a seducer, and that the seducer was Bender. He left her at Mrs. Moore's house, and on Monday she died, Bender was telegraphed for; he came and took charge of the corpse, took it to Drummondsville, where her death was reported to have been caused by consumption, and the burial took place. Our city authorities got wind of the affair, and put a detective at work, who, on reporting the case to the authorities at Drummondsville, caused the body to be exhumed and an inquest held. On the testimony of two examining physicians, it was decided that the young lady had had an abortion performed upon her, and that her death was the result. Bender has disappeared, but Mrs. Moore and another woman living with her have been arrested, to await further developments. Miss Cole is a sister of the wife of Rev. Mr. Cooper, of Gloversville, Montgomery County, N. Y., where each year she was in the habit of spending a portion of her time. It is probable that, in her occasional journeys between Gloversville and her home in Canada, she had secret meetings with the man Bender, who is a dashy, reckless fellow, and that thus he accomplished her ruin.

Railroad News.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, Nov. 20.—It is expected that the Chicago, Clinton & Dubuque Road will make connections with the Midland Road to-day, when Clinton and Dubuque will be united by a railroad.

CLINTON, Iowa, Nov. 20.—E. F. Barnes, Superintendent of the Sabula, Ackley & Dakota Railroad, was in town to-day, and made arrangements with the Northwestern Railroad for the transportation, via Clinton, to Sabula, Iowa, of the balance of the iron to complete that road to Marion, Iowa, which the closing of the river at Sabula has delayed about two weeks. The Company are building a temporary bridge from Sabula to the opposite side of the river, which will soon be completed and the traffic now interrupted will be reopened.

The Tercentenary of Presbyterianism.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 20.—The Presbyterians are celebrating the tercentenary of Presbyterianism in the Pennsylvania Square Church. Cherrymen and others met in the new building of the Presbyterian Publishing House, and then marched to the Church, where, among other decorations, is the inscription: "Seventy thousand Huguenots martyrs—St. Bartholomew's Day, 1572."

POLITICAL.

The Oglesby-Washburne Contest for the United States Senate.

Our Minister to France Says He Does Not Seek the Position.

The Governor of Alabama Refuses to Recognize the Legislative Malcontents.

The Louisiana Imbroglio to Go to the Supreme Court.

INDIANA LEGISLATURE.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SENATE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 20.—A memorial was presented from the Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends, in regard to the unsatisfactory condition of the Prison system, and recommending a Central Unpaid Board, which shall have the oversight and care of all the prisons of the State, and a thorough classification of the prisoners, separating the young from the men hardened, which was referred to the Prison Committee.

The Committee on the Employes of the Senate reported forty-four, and fixed their compensations.

A concurrent resolution was adopted that the General Assembly proceed next Tuesday at 12 o'clock to elect an United States Senator.

The Judiciary Committee was instructed to inquire into the propriety of amending the laws concerning married women, so as to extend to them the same rights in relation to holding property and making contracts as are enjoyed by unmarried women.

A committee was appointed to devise a plan for the permanent enclosure of the Tippecanoe battle ground.

The House bill, appropriating $75,000 for the payment of the expenses of the present session was passed.

The resolutions passed by the House yesterday, complimentary to Governor Baker, were passed by the Senate.

The Senate went into Committee of the Whole on the Governor's message, and referred the various recommendations to committees.

HOUSE.

Eighty-one bills have already been introduced into the House. The bill to continue the unfinished business of one session to the next, whether regular or special, and to place the bills on the calendar for the new session in the same place that they were on the expired session was passed.

A bill was introduced to modify the jury system so that a majority can decide the cases except in capital offences; in civil cases eight votes determining, and in felony cases nine.

A bill was introduced to encourage the study of medical sciences by permitting the wardens to deliver to medical schools the bodies of deceased prisoners.

The committee to carry out the provisions of the resolution inquiring into the feasibility of erecting a new State House, was appointed.

A bill was introduced to fix the pay of members at $8 per day, and $5 for each twenty-five miles of travel.

The Senate concurrent resolution bearing upon next Thursday as the time for holding the election of United States Senators was concurred in.

Vice President Colfax was received by the House, and he returned his thanks to the House in a brief address, in which he referred to the many interesting remembrances during his connection with the public affairs of the State, and the bright prospects of Indiana for advancement in material prosperity.

In consequence of the press of business two additional members were appointed to the Judiciary Committee.

THE UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM ILLINOIS.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 20.—General Lippincott, State Auditor, Oglesby's faithful henchman, believes his candidate will be Senator, and that Washburne cannot beat him. He had no idea that Cullom stood a ghost of a show. An attempt was made to-day by Oglesby's friends to get Cullom to hand off, and unite with them to defeat Washburne. He has not done so publicly, but wrote to Oglesby defining his position, and disclaiming any desire to hurt him very much. He will not run against Oglesby alone, as it would be of no use. O'Neill has gone away perplexed. He does not know how the cat will jump. It is believed Oglesby would give the Pension Agency to ex-Senator Yaudorcook, who stood by him in the darkest hour of the Logan fight, rather than to Fowell, who was on the other side. Oglesby is expected here at the end of the week, to attend a council of war of his friends. Until then nothing new need be expected.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 20.—The Hon. E. B. Washburne, United States Minister to France, arrived here from Minneapolis, via Winona, this morning, and will remain here visiting his brother, Governor Washburne.

In the course of a pleasant interview with him this afternoon, your correspondent remarked that some of the Illinois papers had published a report concerning a letter addressed about a prospective contest between him and Governor Oglesby for the United States Senatorship. Mr. Washburne's reply indicated that any anxiety on the subject was entirely causeless, and he disclaimed being a candidate for United States Senator, the Cabinet, or any other position. He proposes to remain here until Friday morning, then go to Milwaukee and Chicago, and from there go to New York to sail for his post of duty at Paris in December.

THE VOTE OF NEW YORK STATE.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The official vote of New York State is nearly complete. Grant's majority will be about 53,000, Dix's 52,000, and Hamblin's for Comptroller-at-Large, over 60,000. The total vote of the State is 23,000 less than in 1868. About 80,000 Democrats forgot to vote.

The *Times* is imprudent enough to say: "The fact that the vote for Kernan falls below that of Greeley, has a moral too plain to need comment, and it is probable that the blunder of such a nomination will not be repeated."

The *Express* replies to this as follows: "The meaning of this hint is, that hereafter no United States citizen of Catholic faith must be nominated for a prominent office, and such a hint is as repugnant to our form of Federal and State Governments as it is to justice and fair play. Catholics in this State have been voting, since 1779, for Protestant Governors; and since New York was a Colony, only one State Chief Magistrate, Governor Dongan, under whom this city enjoyed its first grand and great Charter, has been a Catholic."

NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATURE.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 20.—The Governor's message was read to-day in the House of Representatives. The message is devoted principally to our Federal relations, and expresses the belief that the State Government should be in full accord with the Federal Administration. He advises a careful consideration of the questions of State debt; opposes repudiation, and favors the issue of a new class of bonds. He declares the present legislative apportionment of the State unfair; urgently advocates measures inviting immigration into the State, and congratulates the people of the State upon the greatly improved condition of the State since his last message.

The Legislature will go actively to work. The session will be short. The election for United States Senator occurs next week.

THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 20.—Governor Lindsay to-day informed the Legislative body, Conservative, sitting at the Capitol, that he would send in his message to-morrow. In reply to a Committee of the branch Republican, sitting in the United States Court room, he detailed in writing the legal organization of the Legislature at the Capitol, the lawful and usual place of meeting, which supreme and insurmountable necessity can only change. He was ignorant of the existence of such a necessity, and therefore declined to recognize the body assembled in the Court-room, with whom he will have no official communication.

THE BOSTON MAYORALTY.

BOSTON, Nov. 20.—Otis Norcross declines the candidacy for the Mayoralty of Boston.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Nov. 20.—A number of gentlemen are spoken of as aspirants for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives, Twenty-eighth General Assembly, among whom are Shaw, of Carroll, Swan, of Fayette, and Hildrup, of Boone County. The contest for this place bids fair to be lively.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL VOTE IN MICHIGAN.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DETROIT, Nov. 20.—Later returns make it evident that all constitutional amendments submitted on the 5th to the people of this State were defeated. The majority against the increase of the salaries of Circuit Judges will be small, however.

NEW YORK CITY POLITICS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Tammany Hall resolved last night not to take action countenancing a fusion with Apollo Hall. The latter (a Democratic organization) will consider the subject this week.

Andrew J. Blossin, Tammany, is elected Member of the Assembly in the Seventeenth District by a plurality of one vote.

THE LOUISIANA IMBROGLIO.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 20.—The Eighth District Court decides that Herron is *de facto* Secretary of State. By this decision the Returning Board of the State consists of H. C. Warmoth, F. J. Herron, James Longstreet, James Hawkins, and John Lynch. The case will probably go to the Supreme Court.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA VOTE.

COLUMBUS, S. C., Nov. 20.—The vote in South Carolina is 95,217. Grant's majority, 49,856.

SPRINGFIELD.

The Lincoln Monument Finished—Knights of Pythias.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 20.—The Lincoln Monument has dragged its slow length along for two years, and those interested have almost despaired at times of ever seeing it completed; but the Monument Association have kept steadily at work, and occasionally a step toward completion is made. The Association have now been notified that the bronze statue of Lincoln, by Meade, has just been completed by the Ames Manufacturing Company, of Chicopee, and awaits the order for shipment. The statue is 8 feet 10 inches high, and weighs 4,500 lbs. This leaves the groups of statuary, which are to represent the different arms of the service, to complete the monument, and the prospects are good that these will be done some time next spring.

The Capitol Lodge of the Knights of Pythias give to-morrow night a banquet and ball in honor of the coming to this city of their Supreme Grand Chancellor of the world, Mr. H. C. Berry. The affair comes off at the Leland, and extensive preparations are being made to have it surpass anything of the kind ever held in this city.

INSURANCE.

Further Details Concerning the Movements of Prominent Companies.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The heavy fires this week in Boston, Brooklyn, and Jersey City, have had apparently no serious effect on Insurance Companies in this city. One of the stockholders of the Niagara Company has attempted to have a receiver appointed, but the Company is pronounced solvent and determined to continue. The Commerce Company still claims not to have heard the extent of its losses in Boston, but advertise they will pay in full and go on.

The Committee on Rate and Survey have presented, for the consideration of the Board of Fire Underwriters, a new schedule, which places an advance of from 20 to 40 per cent on flat rates, without rebate, and with 5 per cent brokerage allowed.

HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 20.—The report telegraphed that the Amazon and Triumph Insurance Companies of Cincinnati had withdrawn their agencies from New England is an error. Their special agent for New England is located here, and has advices from the officers of these companies that their business in New England will be continued. Their solvency is not questioned here. The Amazon loses nothing by the Boston fire. The Triumph loses $90,000.

THE FAR WEST.

The Arizona Diamond Mystery—Suicide.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 20.—Stanton, the man with the $250,000 ruby, arrived here from Arizona last night, and freely exhibited the gem, which is very beautiful, though jewellers are in doubt as to its being anything more than a garnet. He also shows what he calls a $15,000 diamond.

Another diamond company is organizing here, and the excitement is growing, although much mystery surrounds the whole subject, and but little or no positive evidence is to be obtained as to the actual basis for it.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—A German named Gustave Wabbintz shot and killed himself in this city, to-day.

THE ARIZONA.

The Missing Steamship Safe.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—A despatch to the Vice President of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, in this city, announces the safety of the steamship Arizona.

LATER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The Pacific Mail Steamship Company announce that a despatch has just been received by them, stating that the steamship Arizona was spoken on the 14th inst., off Manzarillo, on the coast of Mexico, with her piston rod broken. The Arizona was in tow of the Constitution, bound for San Francisco. Her passengers had been transferred to the Constitution.

MISCELLANEOUS CITY NEWS.

Henry Osborne, the young man who was injured by a fall in McCormick's building, on Kinzie street, near North Clark, as mentioned in yesterday's TRIBUNE, died of his wounds at St. Joseph's Hospital.

On Monday evening last a man named Thomas Daley, accidentally fell from the State street viaduct to the railroad track, receiving injuries from which he died yesterday. He resided at the corner of Johnson avenue and Twenty-seventh street.

James Rutherford, an employe of the Chicago Alcohol Works, at the corner of Western avenue and Kinzie street, had his right hand badly crushed, yesterday afternoon, while working some machinery. He resides at No. 834 West Lake street. The doctor who attended him says that amputation will not be necessary.

A letter from Earlville, Ill., Nov. 18, states that Mr. C. C. Warren, of that place, is about to remove to Chicago, where he is a member of a commission firm. On Sunday evening last, at a social gathering in the vestry of the Liberal Church at Earlville, Mr. and Mrs. Warren were presented with an elegant silver card-stand and a sumptuously-bound volume of selections of poetry. "Mrs. W.," says the letter, "is one of the finest soprano-singers in the West, and is not altogether unknown to the musical people of your city."

Death on the Rail.

BOSTON, Nov. 20.—Nathaniel Morton, President of the Stoughton Branch Railroad, had both feet cut off at Canton last night, by falling upon the track while hastily jumping from a train in motion. He is nearly 70 years of age, and not expected to recover.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 20.—A despatch from Sidney says O. S. Miller, of West Liberty, Ohio, and an Indiana drover, named Pendrick, have died of injuries received at a collision of two freight trains on Saturday, at Dallas, on the Indianapolis Division of the C., C. & C. R. R., and two other persons were injured at the same place, who are not expected to recover.

Boston Items.

BOSTON, Nov. 20.—The contributions to the Citizens' Relief Fund amount to $72,000, including $1,000 in gold from Lord Dufferin, the Governor General of Canada. The contributions for Harvard College aggregate $67,000.

Leavitt Alley has been fully committed for trial on the charge of murdering Abijah Ellis, whose remains were found in two barrels in the Charles River ten days ago.

The pew holders of the Old South Church, at a meeting to-day, voted to lease the church to the Government for a Post Office.

Telegraphic Brevities.

Governor Brown has sent Adjutant General Siegel to Lafayette County, Missouri, to investigate the alleged disturbed condition of affairs there.

The Hon. Carl Schurz lectured before the Young Men's Library Association of Clinton, Iowa, on Tuesday evening.

F. Wagner, while adjusting a belt in a magnet mill, at Bullionville, Utah, yesterday, was drawn about the shaft and horribly mangled. He cannot live.

The new Post Office in Rock Island, erected by Mitchell & Lindsbanker, was occupied by Postmaster Haverstick on Tuesday. The Government designs leasing it for ten years.

A project is on foot to move the Ottawa Cutlery Works, of Ottawa, Ill., to Rock Island.

At a saloon, in Marion City, Ind., yesterday forenoon, a quarrel arose between Tim. Sullivan and Patrick Wallace's wife, which ended in Sullivan throwing a bottle at her, at the same time that Wallace attempted to part them, when the bottle missed her, striking him in the throat, wounding him so severely that he is not expected to recover.

The beleagured Sioux City Railroad officials who have been snow-bound since the 11th inst., returned to St. Paul last night.

THE KING-O'NEIL TRAGEDY.

What King Says—Sketch of the Murderer's Life—Domestic Miseries of the King Family.

From the New York World, Nov. 19.

The courtesy of Captain Van Duser procured the reporter an interview with Mr. King, who had been allowed to leave his cell on complaining of feeling cold, and was warming himself by a stove, in which position he could see the head of his victim, covered by a cloth, in the rear room. Had he stepped a pace or two to the left he could have viewed all the entire length the outline of the corpse.

Mr. King is a prepossessing young man about five feet eight inches in height, and is slimly but elegantly built. He has quite a military pose, standing erect with his chest thrown out, and his hands and feet are remarkably small. He had removed a white fall overcoat he wore at the time of the shooting, and was dressed in a well-cut frock coat, buttoned up high, and dark pantaloons. His head is somewhat large, but not disproportionate to the size of his body. His features are regular, well-cut, and prepossessing, and had it not been for a slight shade of anxiety or impatience on them his demeanor and dress would have been appropriate in an evening party or a friendly gathering. His utterances were firm and collected, his voice not betraying any internal emotion.

Mr. King received the visitor politely. He had sent for his lawyer, Mr. Vanderpool, and until he arrived it would be professionally discourteous to speak of the occurrence; but in regard to his making Mr. O'Neill's acquaintance he said:

"Last summer I had engaged a cottage at Turner's, and was a little embarrassed about moving my furniture and family there. I went to the Erie office, on Twenty-second street, and told across O'Neil, who impressed me most favorably. He was exceedingly obliging, and thanks to him my furniture was carefully moved into my cottage, and my wife and children and I had a pleasant trip to our place, Mr. O'Neil accompanying us and doing all in his power to make us comfortable en route. It so happened that O'Neil summered at Turner's, and little by little our relations became more and more friendly. We went on excursions together, shot together, fished together, and O'Neil was a constant visitor at my house, because I supposed he preferred my dinners to those he got at his boarding-house. We became very intimate, in fine, and he was very obliging to my wife and children. I thought a great deal of the man, or I should not have admitted him to my house. I had occasion at the end of the summer—it is now three months ago—to go to New York. I returned to Turner's the next day, and found my wife's baggage gone, part of the furniture removed, and my wife and children absent. I ascertained that she had gone East, and that O'Neil was fishing in Pennsylvania. I instituted inquiries, which resulted in my determining to take legal proceedings, and I had O'Neil arrested at Goshen, where he was put under $10,000 bail to appear for trial. I then commenced a divorce suit against my wife in New York, and she filed a counter-petition. I know that since my wife left me she has been living in the same boarding-house as O'Neil. I managed to get my children, three in number, away from her, and they are now at my house in East Seventeenth street."

"Have you seen O'Neil since your wife left you?"

"Frequently. We have several times been over the Erie Road in the same car."

SKETCH OF THE MURDERER AS GIVEN BY MRS. KING AND HER FRIENDS.

According to all accounts King's life seems to have been a sufficiently adventurous one, and according to the story told by the friends of Mrs. King, it is invested with the highest romance of crime. Born in Morristown, N. J., in 1839, he first distinguished himself by running away from a school at Flushing at the age of 12. One of his schoolmates was a son of Thomas Hunt, an importer of cloths and woollens of this city, who obtained for King employment with his father. King ran away from Mr. Hunt in various capacities till 1860, when he went to San Francisco, and, after acting as subordinate in several establishments, finally set up for himself as a ship-broker, and did business for a number of years between that city and Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands. It was at the latter place that, about the year 1865, he first became acquainted with and married Mrs. King, who was a daughter of a sea Captain named Stott, who had amassed a handsome fortune in the Pacific trade. This fortune, after he had become acquainted with his son-in-law's presumably bad disposition, he is reported to have settled upon his daughter, only to be enjoyed after her husband had been gathered to his fathers, as she was left a widow. This strange trait of Stott's becoming known to King, bad blood naturally arose between them, and frequent quarrels were the result. In one of these Captain Stott became so enraged at his son-in-law that he struck him, and on the latters cautioning him not to do it again, repeated the blow. At this King, it is alleged, drew a pistol and fired, wounding Stott severely. The immediate consequences were not fatal, and the wound healed up, but Stott died within a year, as some of the physicians alleged, from the effects of the wound. Fearing perhaps that legal proceedings would be taken against him King, it is stated, left Honolulu and came to this city, where he could not have remained long, for he turns up shortly afterward at Liverpool, England, in his old business of shipping agent. From here he is alleged to have gone to Paris with from £6,000 to £15,000, the account does not state particularly which, belonging to the British Bank of North America and the London and San Francisco Bank. From Paris he went to Germany, where after distinguishing himself, probably at Baden-Baden, he returned to New York. This was in the spring of 1867. The summer of the same year he spent at Newport, boarding at the rate of $300 a week. The following fall he bought an expensive house on West Forty-sixth street, in which he lived during the winter. During his wanderings he had continued to pick up a knowledge of the law, and so at this time became a partner of Edwin James. At this time he purchased a cottage at Long Branch, and the following winter he rented a flat in the Stuyvesant building, on East Eighteenth street. He afterwards rented the house of E. C. Christy, nearly opposite the Clarendon, on the same street, which he occupied till August, 1870, when he went, with his wife and family, who had accompanied him in all his wanderings, to Turner's Station, Orange County, in this State. In this place he formed the acquaintance of O'Neil, who was spending the summer there. O'Neil befriended him in every possible way, so the story goes, till he learned that King systematically illtreated and beat his wife. From that moment the friendship which had existed between them ceased, and O'Neil devoted himself entirely to freeing the persecuted woman from her brutal husband. In pursuance of this intention, he invited her to live with him and his wife, and accordingly the latter part of the past summer took up her quarters at his house on West Thirty-second street. The rest is told in the history of the assassination. It is only to be added that, as if shooting his wife's father was not enough, King had repeatedly boasted of having shot a man in South Carolina, although the other circumstances of his life in that State are not mentioned. Also in reference to yesterday's tragedy he has been known to have talked mysteriously of "another Jim Fisk affair being on the tapis," and "he would soon do something that would astonish people." In consequence of these threats O'Neil was often warned to take care of himself, but he affected to despise King, and used no precautions. Yesterday morning as he was leaving the Erie office, on Twenty-third street, in order to go to the trial, he jotted over the possibility of King's using desperate measures, and his words were: "I'm going to fix out that s— of —." In proof of King's dishonesty at Liverpool, the fact of his having been thrown into bankruptcy by the bank he is alleged to have defrauded is cited, and numerous other circumstances are brought forward by those interested in Mrs. King to show his general bad character.

DOMESTIC MISERIES OF THE KING FAMILY.

Anna T. King, in July last, commenced a suit against her husband, James C. King, for a limited divorce, on the ground of cruel treatment on his part. In August she petitioned to the Supreme Court for the possession of her three children. The motion was heard before Judge Barrett on the 30th of August. In her petition she stated that she was married in Honolulu, in 1865; that, with her husband she came to this country some years ago; that her husband, who was very bad tempered, had maltreated her and threatened her, until, for her own safety, she had to leave him; that he was bankrupt, while she had $15,000 coming from her father's estate, which would enable her to support her children; and that his speech and manners rendered him an unfit person to have the care of children. Besides treating her badly, he vented his temper upon the servants, and struck Elizabeth Brannan and threw a pitcher at her.

In opposition to the application, Mr. King made an affidavit in which he stated that in December last he heard rumors and intimations that there was an improper intimacy existing between his wife and A. P. O'Neil, and was soon compelled to believe that such rumor was not without foundation in fact. He learned that during his absence O'Neil was almost constantly with her, and that on numerous occasions they were together without any other person being present. When he (the husband) was absent she would put the children to bed early, and after changing her dress, would go down and meet O'Neil, and remain until late in the evening with him. He remonstrated with her on the impropriety of her conduct, and desired her to cease her intimacy with O'Neil. But notwithstanding she continued this intimacy. He was greatly grieved and irritated at her conduct, and on some occasions became excited when talking to her, but he denied her statement that he ever struck her. At the commencement of this intimacy with O'Neil she was possessed of many elegant and valuable articles of wearing apparel, besides diamonds and other jewelry. O'Neil, who has a salary of but $112 a month as a clerk in the employ of the —— Railway Company, and had a wife and one child, at various times received from Mrs. King diamonds and other valuables. After she left him he saw her on several occasions with O'Neil in this city and in Jersey. On the 5th of August he commenced an action against O'Neil, and an order of arrest was granted on which O'Neil was arrested and held to bail in $10,000. His wife, Mr. King averred, had no parents or near relatives living, and that the bequest in her father's will mentioned by her was contingent, and was to be paid to her only in the event of her surviving him (her husband), and if she did not survive him it went to distant relatives. Mr. King said, further, that on previous occasions his wife had conducted herself in a manner unbecoming a wife and mother, and particularly in August, 1869, she became intimate with a young man at Fair Haven, Mass., and carried on a secret correspondence with him. He obtained possession of a large number of the letters she had written to the young man, and they showed an intimacy and were of a character unworthy a true wife. He wrote to his then legal adviser and showed him the letters. The lawyer talked to Mrs. King, and finally, to avoid scandal, and on account of the children and her lonely position, and at her earnest solicitation, he concluded to look leniently upon her conduct, and continued to live with her. He admitted that in February last he filed his petition in bankruptcy, but averred that for ten years he was engaged in business as a banker; that the occasion of his bankruptcy was the unwarranted acts of those connected with him in business in San Francisco; that he had always been able to maintain his wife and family in a comfortable, and, during most of the time, in a luxurious manner, and could continue to support and educate his children in a suitable and proper style. He still retained possession, he said, of the house at Turner's, and intended to put it in order and continue there with his children. He denied that he was of unreasonable temper, or was in the habit of maltreating his wife, or that he had endeavored to influence the minds of his children against her; but they were witnesses of much of the improper conduct and intimacy between their mother and O'Neil, and instinctively seemed to feel that in such conduct she was violating her marital duties and bringing disgrace and trouble upon their father and themselves. He admitted that he discharged Elizabeth Brannan for the reason that she became cruel to the children, and on one occasion tied the hands of one of the boys behind him and beat him on the head. For a long time she seemed to be kind to them, but at length seemed to obtain control over Mrs. King and grew impertinent to him, besides ill-treating the children. When he discharged her she grew abusive and refused to leave the room. He had a pitcher of water in his hand and threw it over her, but did not strike her. He afterward believed that the reason for the influence she seemed to gain over Mrs. King arose from her cognizance of the intimacy with O'Neil.

King's servants testified to the intimacy between Mrs. King and O'Neil, and to the kind and affectionate character of King in his family; and a number of people in this city, at places where King had lived, also made affidavit to his uniform affectionate demeanor toward his wife and children.

NORTHWESTERN DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee the following general arrangements were made for the Seventh Annual Meeting at Whitewater, Wis., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Jan. 21—23, 1873:

The first session will be on Tuesday aftern